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Getting a jump on summer — March temperatures that felt a bit more like June or July drew just about everybody in town outside to celebrate the first T-shirt and shorts weather of the year. While it wasn't quite time for the beach over the weekend, Hannah Bramhall, 3, Amanda Brady, 3, Robby Merritt, almost 3, and Bridgette Donovan, 3, were getting ready by practicing in the sand at Penguin Park.

## New middle school off the warrant

*FinCom also hits the brakes on safety center, senior center at PA*

By Neil Fater

Residents who have complained recently that town officials are promoting a spending spree got a boost this week from the Finance Committee.

The FinCom has advised Town Meeting voters to reject articles calling for a new middle school, a public safety center, and \$1 million for buying recreation land until more information is available. Town officials simply haven't answered enough important questions yet, says FinCom Chairman Donald Schroeder.

"They (the articles) might be a little bit too premature," says Schroeder. "We recommended disapproval at this time."

The FinCom's position has already had an impact. Tues-

day the School Committee voted to withdraw the middle school articles from the warrant (See story, page 29). With the FinCom vote and selectman Larry Larsen's statement Monday to the School Committee that "I'd rather us wait until the fall, until Special Town Meeting, to rally support," the School Committee opted to postpone its middle-school efforts.

The FinCom is also against another article that would allow Andover to lease Phillips Academy's Williams Hall for a senior center because "there was no financial information at all," says Schroeder.

The senior center article is probably the least significant

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## Andover's main squeeze: classroom space

By Rebecca Lipchitz

If you're a student at West Middle School, your locker could be a drawer of a "kitchen" cabinet of the home economics room turned science room. If you're a student at West Elementary, you may not get through the lunch line in time to get a seat and eat.

Those are just two small indications of a space crunch in the

Andover schools that is system-wide, and isn't going away, according to school principals.

Art, music, home-ec, and some staff rooms have become regular classrooms. Every school has at least one office in a closet and every Andover elementary or secondary school holds classes in corridors, cafeterias and auditoriums at the expense of the curriculum, and in the

end, the students, say the principals.

All Andover public schools except the newly-renovated Andover High School are operating above capacity — housing more students than they were built to hold (See chart, page 27).

While the numbers indicate that some of them shouldn't be having problems, because they are barely over capacity, administrators say they are

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## Spring Ahead



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## TOWN TALK



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**Flower children** — Actually, the flowers are for Dottie Chiarenza, a surrogate grandmother to the kids on Carisbrooke Street, who is recovering in the hospital from knee surgery. Starting in the back, from left, are Matt McDermitt, Adam Spang, Patrick Hughes and Duncan Lennon. In the next row are Kevin Henry, Dan McDermitt, Collin Dunbar, Maggie Hughes and Katie Zimmerman. Next are David Sheldon, Christina Henry, Abby McDermitt, Abby Durland and Chris Hartnett. In front are Connor Dunbar, Alex Lennon, Molly Lennon, Gabriella DiVincenzo and Allison Wittbold.

## Taking care of 'grandma'

Whether it is Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny, or Cupid, Dottie Chiarenza has played it all for the children of Carisbrooke Street. For as long as folks can remember, Mrs. Chiarenza, has brought the children on the street goodies and small presents during the holidays.

"I don't know how she does it, because it's a huge amount of children," exclaims long-time next-door neighbor Mary Dunbar. "She even takes into account what each child likes."

But with Passover and Easter approaching, the children will be playing Mrs. Chiarenza's role, since she will not be able to make her rounds due to a painful recovery from a recent knee surgery. So the children, led by 10-year-old Collin Dunbar, son of Mary Dunbar, are making cards and raising money to send flowers to Mrs. Chiarenza.

Originally, the Dunbars planned to just send the flowers, but then "(Collin) thought he

could get (the children) to chip in and then it would be from everyone," said Mary Dunbar.

Collin made some flyers stating his proposition and distributed them to all the children touched by Mrs. Chiarenza's generosity. It wasn't long before kids ranging from 2 to 12 years old began collecting money and designing their own cards.

"All the kids love her," said Mrs. Dunbar. "She treats them all as if they were her own grandchildren."

— Keren Rock

## Know your food

The owners of Andover's Earthfood natural foods store are heading campaigns to make the government more honest about food labeling and standards.

Co-owner Glennie McKertich who runs the Chestnut Street store with her husband Walt says they would like to see other food and drug industries come clean

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Cultural volunteers honored at Statehouse

Five members of the Andover Cultural Council were honored at the Statehouse March 19 for their volunteer efforts in granting public funds to support arts, humanities and science activities in the community.

Council members are chairman John Zipeto, Mark Efinger, Sharon R. Mason, Gail L. Ralston and Anne M. Sullivan. The Council received an allocation of \$8,028 to re-grant locally this year.

Cultural council members are part of a statewide network of 2,700 people who administer the state's Local Cultural Council (LCC) program, the second-largest grant program of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

### Bay Circuit group speaks to Legislature

Alan French of Andover, chairman of the Bay Circuit Alliance Inc., appeared with other Alliance members recently before members of the state Legislature, to speak on the group's efforts to preserve open space throughout the Commonwealth.

The briefing and slide show, held in the Senate Reading Room, adjacent to the Senate Chamber, was at the invitation of state Senator John D. O'Brien (D-Andover) and state Representative Barry R. Finegold (D-Andover), and was attended by more than 30 senators and representatives.

The Bay Circuit Trail and Greenway is a park system linking open spaces and recreational trails throughout the Commonwealth. The trail currently includes more than 120 miles of accessible, multi-use space, spanning more than 25 cities and towns and linking parks, open spaces and waterways from Plum Island to Kingston Bay. The Bay Circuit Alliance combines organizations and volunteers working to expand the Bay Circuit Trail to include 200 miles of recreational space spanning more than 50 communities by the year 2000.

Since its inception, the Bay Circuit Alliance has helped add six important open space properties to the Bay Circuit: Prospect Hill in Rowley, Haynes property in Boxford, Camp Acton in Acton, White Farm in Sudbury, Payne estate in Wayland and Mill Pond property in Ashland.

"I applaud the dedicated efforts of Alan French and the members of the Bay Circuit Alliance to preserve and maintain public space for the enjoyment of all," said O'Brien.

"I encourage all Andover residents to take advantage of the recreational trail," Rep. Finegold said.

For more information about Andover trails, call Liz Tentarelli, chair of the Andover Trails Committee, at 470-2520.

### ACA coloring contest is now under way

The Andover Center Association's Spring Coloring Contest began March 21. Kids aged 12 and younger can come downtown and visit any store or business that is an ACA member, and pick up a picture to color and a prize for entering the contest. They should return the picture to the ACA business of their choice for display. A drawing for the winner will be held at the end of April. The winner will receive a bicycle.

### Lau named to National Women's Business Council

Joanna T. Lau of Andover, a founder and president of Lau Technologies in Littleton, has been named to the National Women's Business Council, which advises and makes policy recommendations to the President, the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the House and Senate Small Business Committees on issues affecting the business environment for women entrepreneurs.

The appointment was announced by U.S. Senator John Kerry, who nominated Lau for the appointment to SBA

Administrator Aida Alvarez.

Congress established the Council in 1988, but then expanded it in 1994. Lau says she was "flabbergasted" when she was approached, since the council includes, "not only some of my friends, but some of my idols as well."

Lau is clearly an example herself to aspiring female entrepreneurs. She came to this country in 1976 from her native Hong Kong at age 17. Five years later she had earned a bachelor's degree, and during the next 10 years earned two master's degrees, including an M.B.A. at Boston College.

She helped found Lau Technologies, a supplier of electronic control systems for defense programs and a leader in electronic research and development. After eight years, the company has grown to \$60 million in revenues and employs about 250 people.

Lau has received the national Turnaround Entrepreneur of the year award from Inc. Magazine and Ernst & Young, and also received the first Leadership Award to Women in Business from the New England Council.

Lau, who says the concept of a women's business council clearly "makes sense," says she hopes to promote a better understanding of women in business.

"How do you help them grow?" she says. "I think there are more women in smaller business, but when they get larger, it seems they have to break through another wall. So we need to find out what we can do to help that."

Part of the mission of the Council is to make sure the federal government helps women get government contracts.

Among the duties of the Council are to:

- "... focus on key policies and initiatives that will result in specific and measurable objectives ...

- "... develop a resource of 'best practices' in promoting procurement opportunities for women ...

- "... bring women business owners to Washington to work with policymakers on the creation of ... legislation to support and strengthen women's entrepreneurship."

## Quote, unquote . . .

**I**'ve never seen so many smiles in my life. When I go into work in the morning, everyone wants to buy coffee.'

*Police Sgt. William McKenzie, commenting on the atmosphere at the station since Brian Pattullo became chief.*

**I** hope people see this as a step forward and not backward. It's a chance to develop a saleable plan to the town.'

*Schools Superintendent Richard Neal, after the School Committee vote to withdraw a Town Meeting article seeking funds for a new middle school.*

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# TOWN TALK

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on their labels as much as the businesses of the natural food industry.

"Truth in labeling" is the goal, she says, and should be required of products sold at CVS as well as health food specialty stores.

A petition to secure mandatory labeling of all genetically engineered foods is on hand at Earthfood, and will be submitted to the President, Congress, the USDA and the FDA.

Earthfood proprietors are also fighting a new federal standard for "organic" foods because their guidelines are too lax, McKertich says.

Until now, regulations defining "organic" foods have been left to state law. But the federal government's attempt to nationalize the standards could lead to some dangerous delinquencies.

A campaign led by organic food vendors says the new regulations could allow genetically engineered food, irradiated food, food exposed to toxic sludge to be classified as "organic."

"It's just outrageous," says McKertich. "I think people are incensed. And who is going to benefit (from lax regulations) except the big corporations?" she asks.

The store has on hand flyers on how to "Keep 'Organic' Organic," and addressees, e-mail and phone numbers to speak out about the issue.

Earthfood also takes aim at local environmental issues by working with CARE, Concerned Andover Residents for the Environment to organize members of the Andover Recycles Committee.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

## Good Will Party

Do you like apples? Well, Andover state Rep. Barry Finegold was among of those partying at the L Street Tavern during Oscar night.

How do ya like dem apples?

The L Street Tavern was featured in the

movie *Good Will Hunting*, written by Matt Damon and Ben Affleck. With the movie nominated for several awards, including best picture, the tavern decided to hold a glitzy Oscar party of its own last Monday.

Finegold, who was invited to the bash by his freshman colleague Jack Hart (D-South Boston), says he had a blast.

"It was especially fun when Robin Williams said thanks to the people of South Boston. The place went nuts. You thought the Messiah was coming," says Finegold.

"It was fun. People are very tight there," he says. "Everyone had tuxes and long gowns on."

*Good Will Hunting* bagged two major awards, with Damon and Affleck winning an Oscar for their screenplay and Robin Williams taking a statue for best supporting actor.

Finegold says he also hung out with Tom O'Brien, Andover state Sen. John O'Brien's brother.

— Neil Fater

## Time to Bee on location

An all-expenses-paid, five-day vacation to Hong Kong plus a \$25,000 scholarship is awaiting the winner of the 10th National Geographic Bee's National Championship in Washington, and two Andover students have made it to the state competition, to be held tomorrow, Friday, at Clark University in Worcester.

"I have been reading atlases and geographic books," says Arianne Spool, the preliminary winner from West Middle School, in preparing for the state competition.

Spool, a seventh grader, topped the local middle school competition, which includes grades 6 through 8, at the school's auditorium. Following her victory, Spool needed to take a 70-question test and place in the top 100 scores before qualifying for the State Bee.

It wasn't long before a letter arrived "and it

said, 'Congratulations you are going to compete (April 3),' recalls a very excited Spool.

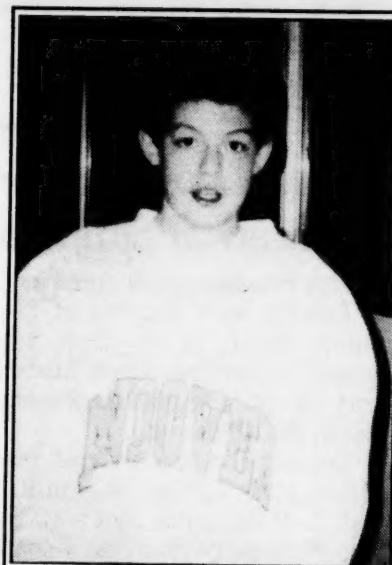
Her victory shouldn't be a surprise, however, since she is a big fan of geography. "I like to look at maps, she said. 'They are interesting. Whenever you look at one, you can always find something new.'"

With some of the excitement behind her, the possibility of victory began to take hold. "It's kind of scary if you did win," she said. "It would be like instant publicity."

"Publicity" isn't new to Spool, at least locally. "People I don't even know come up to me and say, 'Hey you're the one who won the Geography Bee,'" she says.

Spool will be joined by another Andover resident, Gregory Martin, of Pike School at the State Bee competition held at Clark University in Worcester. Together they will compete for a first prize of \$100, an undisclosed prize, and a trip to Washington, D.C.

Each year, as many as 5 million students (fourth through eighth grade) compete in the National Geographic Bee. The Bee, sponsored by the National Geographic Society, is put forth to coincide with a reawakening of the nation's



**Wish upon a puck — A.J. Pisano, 9, of Andover, recently won a trip for four to Disney World in Orlando, Fla., by capturing the Colonial Gas Super Shootout at a UMass Lowell hockey game at Tsongas Arena. He shot 20 pucks into the net in 10 seconds.**

interest in geography, which was the Society's primary objective when it created the competition.

This year marks the first time a trip will be awarded to the first-place winner and his/her parents. The trip is sponsored by Sylvan

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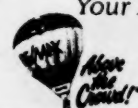


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## Brothers are heroes in drowning tragedy

Justin Shepard of Windham, N.H., is alive today thanks to two Andover brothers who rescued him Monday from drowning in the frigid waters of Cobbetts Pond in Windham.

Shepard's longtime friend was not so fortunate. David Cunningham, 16, a student at Salem (N.H.) High School with Shepard, drowned in the accident.

On an unusually warm, 80-degree, early spring day, Shepard and Cunningham were out on the pond in a 10-foot flat-bottom aluminum boat.

According to reports, waves rocked the boat so much it began to fill with water. Eventually the boat was swamped, putting the boys into frigid water with no life jackets, Windham police said.

Andover brothers Michael, 22, and Matthew Murphy, 19, were fishing on the opposite side of the pond when they heard cries for help.

They rowed to the rescue of Shepard, but were not in time to save Cunningham.

ham. When they reached the other side of the pond, Shepard was thrashing in the water.

The brothers could not be reached for comment, but according to reports, Matthew Murphy, a student at UMass Lowell, said he and his brother "each grabbed an arm and pulled him in. The water was like ice. Just freezing."

Windham rescue teams recovered Cunningham's body Tuesday night.

Rescue workers say the frigid spring water in lakes and ponds can make a person's body begin to shut down, making it harder to survive, a phenomenon that has prompted the time from early spring to Memorial Day to be named "the drowning season."

Cunningham and Shepard had the day off from school Monday because of teacher workshops, police said.

## Not-so-slick opener for library

A custodian preparing to open the library early Wednesday morning found something more unpleasant than a stack of overdue books.

"We had an oil spill," said Memorial Hall Library Director Jim Sutton Wednesday morning. "We're not able to open the building right now."

Sutton said he expected to have the building open by midday Wednesday, after the fumes from the spill had a

chance to dissipate.

"When I left the library at 8 a.m., it appeared the air quality was pretty good," said Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantedosi. "But it's the type of material that produces a lot of odor even if it's just one or two drops."

During the predawn hours, a custodian found a puddle of heating oil near the library's back door, the door leading to the parking lot. Carpet had to be ripped up and taken away because of the oil, which had leaked out of the heating system, said Sutton.

"We're doing ordinary maintenance and apparently a valve that had been shut off let go and caused a spill in the boiler room," said Piantedosi.

"Our early-morning custodian was extremely responsive and called the emergency crew in," said Piantedosi. "He actually found the shut-off valve and prevented it from being worse than it could have been."

— Neil Fater



**Ice princess** — Jamie Kaplan, daughter of Leslie and Alan Kaplan of Andover and a sophomore at Harwich High School, will be a featured soloist this weekend in the Skating Club of Boston's Ice Chips '98. She is the 1998 New England Regional Junior Ladies Silver Medalist. Shows are Saturday at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. at Matthews Arena, Northeastern University, Boston. For information, call (617) 789-4266.

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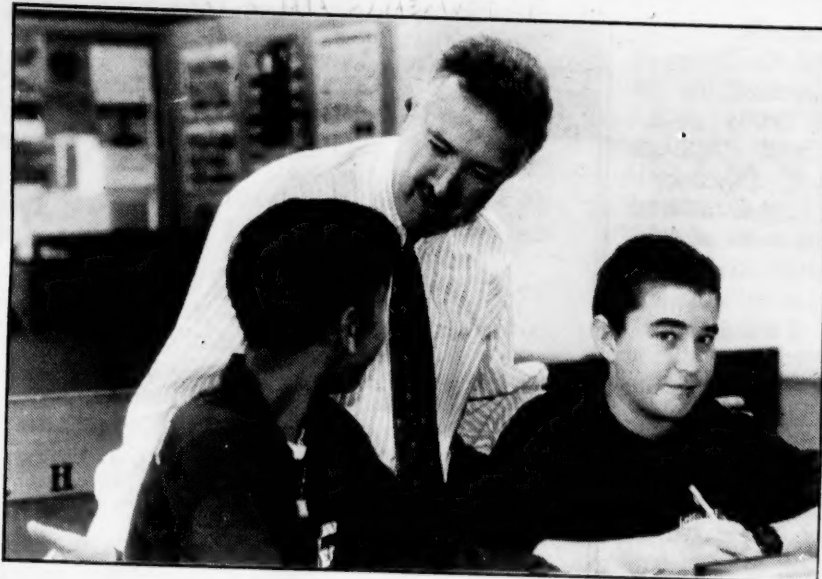


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What's up? — New GLTS Superintendent Frank Vacirca chats it up with electronics students Sombok Meas and Ian DeChane.

## Vacirca gets 'dream' job

By Rebecca Lipchitz

One might wonder why there haven't been more fires at the Greater Lawrence Technical School, since newly-appointed Superintendent Frank S. Vacirca seems to have endless energy to burn.

But Vacirca's positive energy is nothing new to GLTS. The school's greatest cheerleader became superintendent-director of the Tech School District on March 24, after serving 26 years there as a teacher, administrator and most recently as principal.

"This has been a lifelong dream for me," Vacirca says over coffee in the bustling dining room of the culinary arts program Tuesday morning.

As he walks the halls calling students by name, he's often greeted by "Hi, Mr. V," or high fives. And anyone who doesn't smile will hear about it.

"Why are you so sad today," he'll ask, a question that often spreads a sheepish grin on the faces of those who weren't already smiling.

"It's a beautiful day. I wish I was at the beach," says one grinning student in response.

"I am at the beach," says Vacirca as he turns the corner. "The surf is up!"

But work at GLTS hasn't always been a day at the beach. February 2 the Industrial Electronics Department suffered a devastating fire, from which it is now recovering, says department head Dennis Perrotta.

"We're almost back to normal," he says, looking forward to buying more equipment when there is room for it.

Perrotta credits Vacirca and the teachers for the school's quick rebound from the fire, moving the department next door temporarily.

Vacirca dismisses his own contribution with a wave of his hand.

"It was the teachers. It was all their hard work," he says after emoting about the post-fire efforts the Andover Fire Department and state officials, including state Rep. Barry Finegold.

The Tech school serves 1,351 stu-

dents in grades 9-12 from Lawrence, Methuen, Andover and North Andover, 86 percent of whom are minorities and 14 percent of whom are white, Vacirca says.

But the reputation for a chaotic atmosphere that was once associated with such a mix of students is long gone, Vacirca says.

When he became the school's first principal three years ago — a position created under the Education Reform Act — he and the staff tackled those problems and won.

"I had to do all the dirty work (as principal), but I like to think we as a staff reclaimed the school for our students," he says.

As principal, Vacirca wrote the school's first improvement plan, which led to better attendance and a lower dropout rate (2 percent).

Students are reminded daily in public announcements to show up, to avoid fights and to make sure they make the honor roll, he says.

"Attention is all there is." The key to the future of the school, he says, is the building expansion project. The school is operating 200 students over capacity and enrollments are only going up, he says.

"Business is continually reinvesting in itself. Education needs to do that as well," he says.

The expansion is expected to make room for two new programs — telecommunications and biotechnology — and making sure anyone graduating from a program also has the skills to start a business in that field.

The \$46.2-million expansion project is 85 to 90 percent reimbursable by the state, he says, but must be approved by all four towns served by the school. Most of the project cost, 85 percent, is just to bring the 33-year-old building up to code, he says.

Despite a campaign to reach out, he doesn't expect to be able to please everyone.

"This is my life, this is a lot of people's lives. To be a leader you have to carry heavy water. You can't always tell people what they want to hear," he says.

But so far no one seems upset by

what they hear, including goals like improving the MCAS state test performance, a task he expects to take a few years, and preparing for a self study next year and the accreditation to follow.

But the first order of business is hiring a new GLTS principal. The ads are out and Vacirca hopes to have someone in the job by the end of the school year, but he doesn't want to rush it. "We want the best," he says.

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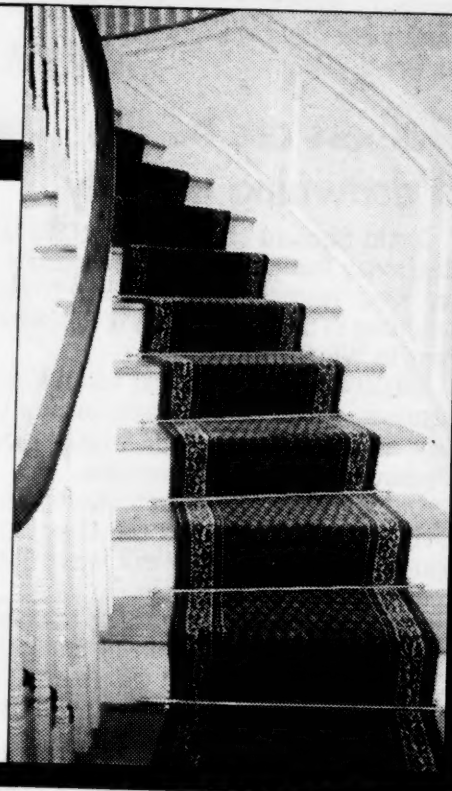
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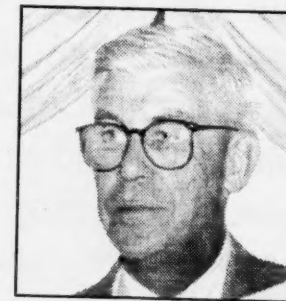
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# Local Jews prepare for Passover

By Keren Rock

It's almost time to break out the matzah for many Jewish families in the Merrimack Valley. On the eve of April 10, homes throughout the area will slowly fill with family and friends. Tables will be traditionally set for the lavish Seder; and Haggadahs, depicting the story of the exodus from Egypt, will be pulled from the shelves as the aroma of Matzah Ball soup will fill the air. But preparations for the Passover Seder, which traditionally lasts eight days, usually begin well in advance.

Bunny Maren of Andover travels all the way to Brookline to shop at The Butchery. "I feel more part of the holiday spirit when I go into Boston," she says. She says she now buys all her food ready prepared, which is very different from her Orthodox upbringing. Maren recalls when she was a girl, her mother used to

spend days readying the house for Passover. For a religious family, it is tradition to change everything from special Passover plates to a different set of silverware.

The eight days of Passover symbolize the eight days the candle miraculously burned, with only enough oil to last one night. It is a chance to tell the children what happened to the Jews of Egypt. The Seder, the great feast, takes place on the eves of the first two nights. It is here that special foods are eaten to help retell the story; the bitter herbs represent the bitterness, the salt water represents the tears shed during the Jews oppression, the greens represent Spring, and the matzah represents the lack of time the Jews had to prepare for their escape.

Besides recapping the story, Rabbi Robert Goldstein of Temple Emanuel in

Andover, believes Jews continue to celebrate Passover "because of freedom. If we don't protect and preserve freedom, we run the risk of losing it. Passover reminds us of that freedom."

Throughout the Merrimack Valley various events will take place in preparation for Passover:

**Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover.**

• April 11 - A community Passover Seder led by Rabbi Goldstein and Cantor Rosensweig will be held at 6 p.m. The cost is \$34 for adults; \$22 for children under 12.

• The religious school will hold model Seders for the students in kindergarten through ninth grade.

• The Sisterhood runs a Judaic shop through the temple that features such items as Haggadahs, Seder plates, and matzah holders.

• April 17 - Rabbi Goldstein will conduct a Passover Seder at Christ Church as part of the series "Rabbi and the Rector."

**Chabad Lubavitch of Merrimack**

**Valley, 310 North Main St.**

• April 2 - "The Passover Experience," which brings the joy of Passover from coast to coast, will make a stop at Temple Emanuel in Andover. The event will feature a model matzah bakery, where kids and adults can learn to make matzah from scratch; a video theater, for children to watch educational videos about Passover; and an arts and crafts workshop. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• April 5 - The temple will hold a model seder at the Hebrew School at 9:30 a.m.

**Congregation Tifereth Israel, 501 S. Main St., Andover.**

• April 10 - Pesach First Night Seder, 7 p.m.

**Havurat Shalom, a Recreationalist Jewish Congregation**

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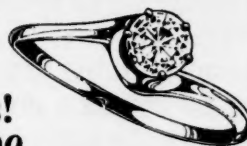
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## Summer dreams

Maybe we should give El Niño a bit of credit for this, since The Child seems to be getting blamed for everything that goes wrong, from mudslides to ice storms.

Of course it's not supposed to be like this at the end of March. We're supposed to be slogging through mud, worrying about another 20-inch surprise blizzard. We're supposed to be keeping our windows shut and doors closed. We're supposed to be instinctively bracing ourselves as we walk out our doors, for the blast of raw, damp March wind that we try to tell ourselves builds character, all while we gaze with envy at the bronzed skin of TV sports reporters who are "working" down at spring training.

We're supposed to just leave the car heat perpetually on — maybe move it back a bit from where it was in January, but air conditioning is out of the question. We're supposed to maintain a full reservoir of washer fluid for the constant mist of watery salt and dirt that is kicked up by the cars and trucks in front of us. We're supposed to keep the sunroof closed, and make sure the ice scraper is still cluttering up the back seat.

We're supposed to keep the T-shirts and shorts in the drawer. Sure, we can drive by the lake, check out the beach, wander by the ballfields, but only to look. Only to look and dream.

And at least some of that was true again by yesterday, when the jet stream shifted back to whatever it's supposed to be doing at this time of year and things got back to the damp, chilly, normal early April we all expect. The warm air headed south, and so did the mercury.

But for the better part of a week, the dreams of summer came early. For several days, we sauntered outside feeling as if we had just jumped an entire season. And it happened so fast that the bugs didn't even have time to wake up and come out to torment us.

That's what made it so pleasant, of course. We expect this sort of thing in June or July. But when it comes at such an unpredictable time, it is a gift.

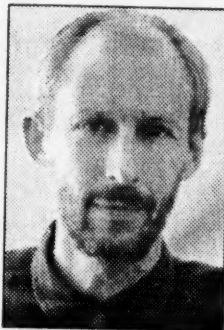
We can worry about global warming next week. For now, let's give thanks for El Niño, and pretend we've just been south for a few days of vacation.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

**Cops and kids** — It was a night for Andover High School students and their parents to meet with the town's new police chief, Brian Pattullo and two of his officers, D.A.R.E. officer CeeCee Blais and Charles Haseltine. Also on the panel was AHS Vice-Principal Steve Richardson. The meeting, held last Thursday at Old Town Hall and sponsored by Andover C.A.R.E.S., was a chance for kids to ask questions and talk about their concerns with police.

## Finding the meaning of a 'whole' person



**Taylor Armerding**

After all Jerry Lewis has done to help people like him, this is the thanks he gets from Charlie Carr.

"We don't want to be Jerry's Kids," Carr says, hammering the side of his chair a bit for emphasis.

Not just a regular chair, of course. Carr uses a wheelchair. So one might look upon him as some kind of an ingrate. After all, Jerry's been out there, conducting his telethon every Labor Day, pulling on the heart strings of all of us "able-bodied" types, making us feel sorry for people like Charlie Carr so we'll dig deep and raise a few more million than last year.

Surely some of those millions trickle into services for the disabled. Surely the telethon, by its very existence, makes the general population more aware of the challenges and needs of the disabled.

Why is Carr coming down on a guy who's dedicated his fame and face and one long weekend a year to such a good cause?

Well, Carr's body might be defective, but his mind and spirit are just like any-

one else's. And Carr's mind and spirit are sick to death of being viewed as a good cause. He's not alone, either. There's a small group gathered around a table here at the Independent Learning Center where he is the executive director, just across the Andover line in Lawrence, who feel pretty much the same way.

"We're just like other people," says another. "Some disabled people are real jerks. We don't just want to be an inspiration to somebody else."

Maybe it's just that this is not what we're used to hearing. Whether they like it or not, many of the disabled are indeed inspirational. Most of us have no clue of what it takes for Carr to perform basic tasks like getting up, washing, dressing, eating and getting to work each day. We have a hard enough time getting those things done ourselves, without coping with a disability. He needs assistance to perform those and numerous others tasks most of us do without thinking. He has to struggle against obstacles we don't even notice.

But he's tired of being a hero. Tired of being an inspiration.

Tired, he says, of everything that prevents others from viewing him as a "whole person."

He's also angry. Angry that the disabled are the largest minority group in the country, and yet remain less visible than most others. Tired of the fact that, in his view, the only reason the disabled are prevented from leading normal lives is because of the barriers society

continues to throw in their faces.

Angry at people who still use terms like "crippled" or "wheelchair bound."

I'm sympathetic to the "Jerry's Kids" syndrome.

But barriers? Hasn't he noticed all the curb cuts, elevators, ramps and various other accommodations that are the result of the Americans with Disabilities Act? Sure, society is not barrier free, but it's a lot closer than it was 25 years ago.

I'm also wondering about this "whole person" thing. As somebody with a lumbar disk missing in his back, I'm thankful I can still get around, thankful I can still do some things I used to do (if at a more limited pace), but there is no way I consider myself a whole person any more. The reality is, I'm not.

What good is it going to do for someone who "uses a wheelchair" to demand to be viewed as the same as somebody who walks around? Is there really any way to view the actor/director Christopher Reeve as the same as he was before his tragic accident? You might as well demand that the law of gravity be overturned.

Then there's the effort to do away with prejudice against the disabled — a laudable goal indeed. I'm more than willing to avoid descriptions like "wheelchair-bound" or "crippled." It's just that I have yet to see a situation where changing the label really changed attitudes.

I've been around long enough to recall when "Negro" was considered the

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## LETTERS

### A few observations on selectmen's meetings

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Selectmen's meeting, March 16, also seen by yours truly as Andover Town Fathers vs. Shawsheen residents. Judge Gerry Silverman presiding.

Shawsheen residents were accused of trying to steal playgrounds from town of Andover, for which they pleaded not guilty. However, they did plead guilty of demonstrating against having an evening sports complex with the associated problems of lighting, parking, traffic, litter, and vandalism that would be associated with it. A majority of Town Fathers argued for the prosecution, although they did not produce any witnesses for the charges (namely, residents from other parts of Andover) but then the complex would not be in their back yard.

After hearing many arguments for and against the charges, Selectman John Hess for the defense, did get a stay of execution and a continuation of the case.

Other observations of previous selectmen meetings of concerns of Andover citizens that have not been addressed.

What kind of permit a West Andover developer received to transfer hundreds, if not thousands, of yards of fill from one development to another?

What kind of permit a business on Lupine Road has to park so many junk and unregistered cars on its property and public property across the street? Especially after the exuberance of riding the junk radiators and bathtubs just off Main Street in Krinsky's junkyard. Now it is junk cars just off Main Street on Lupine Road.

Front page of *Andover Townsman* in February.

Town to tow cars illegally parked that have numerous traffic citations. In the police log of same paper — Traffic officer requests tow of car with numerous traffic violations (42). Town treasurer requests police department to hold off towing mentioned car.

John Birch  
Tewksbury Street

### Selectmen not being very 'citizen friendly'

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As a new resident of the town of Andover, I recently attended my first Board of Selectmen meeting. At this meeting, the board voted in favor of the installation of lights at the lower Shawshen field. Admittedly, for various reasons, I am strongly opposed to the lights, but what concerned and frustrated me more was the manner in which the meeting was conducted.

My expectation was that this meeting would provide a structured forum for different viewpoints to be expressed in an efficient, yet fair fashion. I was sadly mistaken. Although those in favor of the lights were allowed to speak freely, the board was far less receptive to those opposed to the lights. One woman was

### A vote for a new 5-8 middle school

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I have read several letters in this column from people who are unhappy about the proposed 5-8 middle school. Those of us who are supportive of the concept have been, perhaps, guilty of not speaking out as frequently as those who are opposed.

Recently, I was present at an informational meeting at Bancroft Elementary School where a panel, including Superintendent Richard Neal, Bancroft Principal Norah McCarthy and Doherty Principal Floyd McManus answered questions about the proposal, described the process leading to the recommendation of a 5-8 configuration and addressed specific concerns. There were about 35-40 people present.

My impression was that there was one person "vehemently opposed" (in his words), one person leaning towards being opposed, several others "on the fence" but open to learning about the concept, and a majority who were supportive. Opinions were exchanged, and almost everyone present participated in the discussion. It was a constructive meeting.

Each of the candidates for the Andover superintendent position said, in their interviews, that the key to success in any school configuration is the implementation, not the specific grades encompassed. I have heard people say, "I don't want my fifth-grader with eighth-graders" because of the

developmental differences between 10- and 14-year-olds.

There are vast developmental differences between kindergartners and fifth-graders, yet since that is a configuration to which we are accustomed, we don't question its validity. And, what about the developmental differences between ninth- and 12th-graders?

Personally, I favor the recommendation. I moved here from a community where a 5-8 middle school is in place and working well. I have spoken to parents there who were initially opposed to the idea but after their fifth-graders completed a year have revised their opinion to a favorable one.

I urge others in support of the Space Needs and School Committees' recommendation of construction of a 5-8 middle school to please speak out so that readers of this column can more accurately measure public opinion. This is a viable solution to overcrowding that requires support of the community and lots of hard work on the part of the school administrators and educators. A vote in favor of the new school means fewer years of overcrowded schools for our children.

Thyra S. Sherman  
25 Wethersfield Drive

[Editor's note: The School Committee voted this week to withdraw the middle school article from the Town Meeting warrant.]

allowed to be asked.

Andover's vision statement, adopted by the board, tells us, "The Town of Andover, more than a place to live, is a way of life. Its legacy of democracy shall be preserved. Each citizen should experience the treasures of nature, history, individual respect, neighborhood, and learning. As resources and energy allow, each of these gifts from the past will be enriched in the present for those yet to be..." On many levels, I find the board's March 16 meeting contrary to this statement. Regardless of the issues to be discussed, I sincerely hope the tone of future meetings will be more in keeping with the board's vision of Andover.

Jen DiVincenzo  
Carisbrooke Street

### Doherty Council supports new school

We are writing to share our concerns about the serious problem of overcrowding at Doherty Middle School. Doherty currently has 735 students, although the school comfortably accommodates approximately 640 middle-school students. As a result of this overcrowding, many educational programs have suffered and the overall quality of life in the school — for students, teachers, and parents — has been compromised. For example, the cafeteria, auditorium, and hallways are currently being used as

classroom spaces. Because many teachers are forced to share classrooms, students lose the benefits of having a personal home-base. Limited space also means that parents have fewer opportunities to visit the school and participate in whole team activities.

In response to this issue, the Doherty School Council has requested School Committee support to alleviate overcrowding for the past three years. The School Committee has responded to our requests by proposing a new middle school for grades 5-8 students. The planned 5-8 middle school will solve these problems at Doherty while also alleviating school overcrowding system-wide. We believe the 5-8 middle school model is educationally sound because we are confident that Andover teachers and parents will work together to create a program which is developmentally appropriate for 10-14-year-old children. We invite Doherty parents to contact any one of us to discuss these issues in more detail. We strongly urge you to attend Town Meeting on April 27, 28, and 29.

Doherty Middle School Council  
Jean Leider  
Marilyn McCarthy  
Marianne Reilly  
Lynne Schade  
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### Schools don't need 'Band-Aid' solutions

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I was impressed by the articulate and positive letter to the editor written by Becky Sload, Ph.D., a new member of our community. Her letter ("The cost of doing nothing could be high," *Townsmen*, March 19) is a good warning to us regarding the types of problems that unfold when a town procrastinates in meeting the needs of its school-aged population.

My two children are currently in the sixth and fourth grades. Even if the proposed middle-school project moves forward expediently, it will basically be too late for them to receive the benefit of it (my youngest will be in eighth grade when it opens). Yet, I am extremely concerned about this issue, because there isn't much that I put as high a value on as education — not just for my own children, but for everyone's.

I agree with Dr. Sload that we should proceed with the plans for the new middle school, and to fine-tune them down the line, if needed.

As a new Andoverite, Dr. Sload may not know that we have been playing catch-up regarding the school space issue for a number of years now.

During the time my children have been in school in Andover, since 1992, we have seen numerous painful redistrictings, the adding on of classrooms, and now portable classrooms. We have never been ahead of the problem. Each time, the enrollment has outstripped the school department's projections.

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# BUSINESS

## 'Taste of Andover' is May 14

The Andover Chamber of Commerce is reviving the "Taste of Andover" mixer for owners and executives of companies in Andover.

"Taste of Andover," scheduled for Thursday, May 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Old Town Hall, is an opportunity to sample foods from local restaurants while meeting and networking with local business people and town officials.

"We're not going to have any speeches," said organizing committee member David Breen of Merrimack College. The function is aimed at welcoming new business and recognizing existing businesses.

"It's really a celebration," said Peter Quinlan, Andover Chamber president. "It's a networking function and a celebration for what's been going on in Andover."

The Old Town Hall will be decorated with arrangements from local florists and the Gary Michaels Orchestra will provide background music.

The event is free, but by invitation only. To reserve a spot, call Frank Vacirca, superintendent of the Greater Lawrence Technical School and chairman of the organizing committee, at 686-0194.

## New dentist joins practice

Michael J. Hunter, D.M.D., has joined Michael T. Shannon, D.M.D. of Andover, in practice at Northeast Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Associates in North Andover.

Dr. Hunter graduated with honors from Boston University and BU School of Dental Medicine. He completed a four-year residency program in oral and maxillofacial surgery at Boston Medical Center in 1990, where he has been an assistant professor of oral and



Dr. Michael J. Hunter

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## Total quality management goes academic

The principles for managing a successful business would seem to fit that old cliché, "It isn't rocket science."

You've got to keep the customer in mind above all else. You have to have motivated employees who work together as a team. You have to make a quality product. You have to make the customer aware of it through effective marketing. You have to strive for efficiency, and eliminate waste.

But it seems those fundamentals are not nearly as simple as they sound. And that reality has provided a niche for The Falmouth Institute of Quality Systems Management, which launches another of its masters degree programs later this month in Andover, at corporate host The Schneider Group.

The program, which includes 12 32-hour courses held on alternating weekends for about a year, is aimed at transforming the "conventional" manager into one who will not become an "endangered species" in tomorrow's workplace.

It is also aimed at corporate bottom lines. The Institute says its students, who conduct practicums in existing companies, saved those employers \$11.3 million in 1997 alone.

According to Robert Gee, who founded the Institute in 1994, the "conventional" workplace is a wasteful one, losing as much as 30 cents on every dollar to waste or mistakes.

Perhaps because of that, while the Institute is a relatively new entry in the graduate school landscape, it has grown quickly. Gee, with about 25 years of prior experience in higher education, had learned from corporate executives while doing some consulting work that



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

**Quality work — Aileen DiSalvo says a degree from The Falmouth Institute helped her land a much better job.**

there was no degree program in the field of quality management.

"It started as a joint venture with Anna Maria College in Paxton (Mass., near Worcester), says Jim Wills, assistant director of admissions. "And now it has independent accreditation (from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges)."

Students are trained in the management philosophy made famous by W. Edwards Deming, generally regarded as the first promoter of "Total Quality Management." The Institute, Wills says, trains today's managers to be "customer focused," as opposed to focusing on the quarterly financial reports.

While those reports are certainly important, and while financial health is

obviously an indicator of the health of a business, Wills says quality management measures customer satisfaction and employee development. Making customers happy, and employees happy and productive, he says, is even better for the bottom line, because "you're working prospectively (looking ahead) instead of fixing mistakes."

The course can apparently do good things for the bottom lines of students as well. One recent alumnae, Aileen DiSalvo, had been working at a small company in Boston until after she completed the Falmouth masters degree program. She is now a quality engineering manager at The Gillette Company's Andover manufacturing facility, a position that is paying her significantly more than her previous job.

"It (the job) was a direct result of the degree," she says. "Without it, I wouldn't have even gotten in the door."

As part of the program, students divide into teams that work as consultants for companies in the area, trying to improve various processes ranging from development to production to marketing.

DiSalvo did her practicum at Endogen, a biotech company in Woburn, and says she and her team were able to improve two processes — one for the introduction of a new product, from development through routine production, and another on a manufacturing process that "made life a lot better for the employees."

Now, at Gillette, she says she feels she has been able to bring "significant structural improvements" to production in just the first five months she has been in place.

"I'm really pleased with what came out of it," she says.

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maxillofacial surgery for the past eight years. In that capacity, he was director of pain- and anxiety control, and was responsible for the education of dental students and postgraduate residents in oral and maxillofacial surgery.

He has experience in treating facial trauma, corrective jaw surgery, cosmetic facial deformities, dental implants and impacted wisdom teeth. He is involved in the "Healing the Children" organization, and has participated in several volunteer trips to perform cleft-lip and palate surgery in South America. He has also lectured at numerous national and international meetings, and has published several scientific journal articles and book chapters.

Dr. Hunter is affiliated with Lawrence General Hospital, Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center, and is a member of the medical staff at Boston University and Boston Medical Center. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and a Fellow of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. He is a member of the American Dental Association, the American Dental Society of Anesthesia, the Massachusetts Society of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and the Massachusetts Dental Society.

## Doherty wins award for third year

For the third consecutive year Doherty Insurance Agency in Andover has been selected as the Best Insurance Agency in the Andover/North Andover area.

Market Surveys of America has just completed its third annual independent survey for the small-business community in the Andover/North Andover area. Ed Morin, regional manager, said the survey is a public opinion survey conducted over a six-week period, "and Doherty Insurance was the overwhelming preference in this category of all respondents." He said the survey is not commissioned by anyone and is independent. Respondents are asked to name the best in various categories without any prompting or a listing of suggested companies. "This is what makes it a meaningful survey and a more coveted award," he said.

Doherty President Sheila Doherty said, "We are delighted that our staff is being given the recognition they deserve, and we thank the community for honoring us."

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automobile, homeowners, life, long-term care, health, disability and retirement programs.

## Buck wins fourth award

Bill Buck of Andover, a realtor with RE/MAX preferred in North Andover, recently received the 100-percent Club Award for outstanding achievement for the fourth year in a row. The award is based upon commissions earned during one year.

"We are extremely proud of Bill Buck's accomplishment," said William E. Soteroff, regional director of RE/MAX of New England. "His professionalism and dedication to his career and clients have made him one of the most successful sales associates in the real estate industry. At RE/MAX, being a member of the 100-percent Club means you are one of the best."

Buck has been in real estate since 1983, and is involved in many local organizations. He is currently chair of community services with the Andover Rotary Club, a member of Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce and vice chair of the board of directors of the town of North Andover Youth Services. In 1997 Buck received a "Citizen Who Cares Award" from the town of North Andover.



Bill Buck

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## Gately named program director at YMCA

Karen T. Gately of Medford has been named senior program director at the Andover/North Andover Branch of the Merrimack Valley YMCA. She is the former metro director of Youth and Family Services at the YMCA of Greater Boston and Dorchester Family Branch. Gately has held management and supervisory positions with YMCA for 13 years. She earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of Massachusetts, Boston.



Karen Gately

## Elder care agency opens

Elder Resource Partners, a new geriatric care management agency in Andover, provides information, referrals and support for elders and their caregivers, in order to help them maintain a safe, independent lifestyle.

"The great majority of older people are healthy enough to continue living in their own homes," says the agency's founder John Fragala. "And they are capable of doing quite a lot for themselves."

However, as people age they generally have an increasing need for assistance with daily tasks, financial and health insurance information and transportation, he says.

Fragala, a licensed social worker, says Elder Resource helps connect people with the services they need, starting with a needs assessment, a service plan and any necessary referrals.

"A good care manager respects the elder's ability to make his or her own decisions, while being mindful of any risks to safety and well-being," he says.

## State police promote Follett

Colonel Reed V. Hillman, superin-



**Computing contribution** — The Andover office of Hunneman Victor-Coldwell Banker recently donated a Macintosh Quadra computer to Vision House, a rehabilitation program for adults with brain injury. From left are Norma Eisenberg, Vision House executive director; Richard Eisenberg, Linda Campbell, advertising administrator for Hunneman; and Cathy McCarthy, manager of the Hunneman Andover office.

tendent of the Massachusetts State Police, has announced the promotion of Robert L. Follett of Andover to the rank of lieutenant.

Follett is a 1970 graduate of Chelsea High School. He earned a B.S. degree

from Boston State College and an M.A. in criminal justice from Anna Maria College. Following a tour in Vietnam with the U.S. Army, Follett joined the Metropolitan Police in 1980. With police consolidation in 1992 he became

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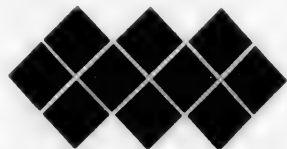
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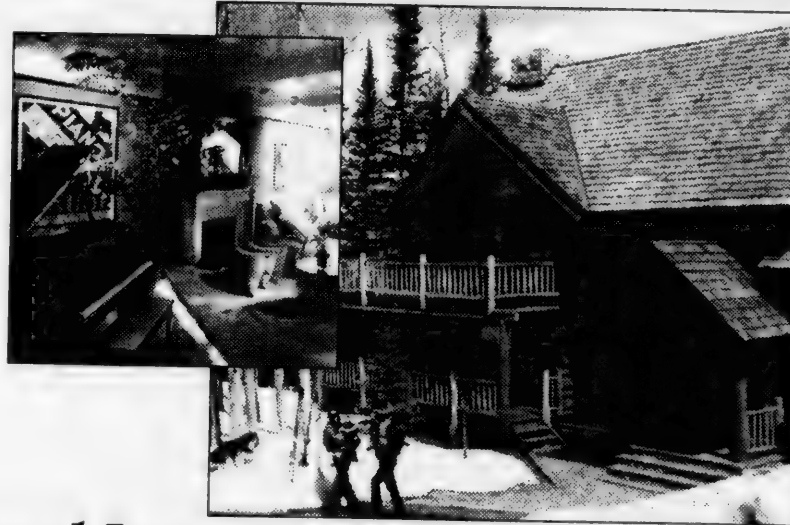


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a member of the Massachusetts State Police.

Follett and his wife, the former **Theresa Moran**, have two daughters, **Jessica** and **Devon**. He is currently assigned to the Andover State Police Barracks.

### Poulo gains new designation

Beth Poulo of Prudential Howe & Doherty Realtors of Andover has been awarded the Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) Designation by the Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors.

Those receiving the CRS Designation must complete the required courses offered by the Residential Sales Council and demonstrate expertise in applied residential real estate marketing. More than 33,000 realtors hold the CRS Designation, representing 4 percent of all realtors.

A graduate of the Realtor Institute

and a broker designee, Poulo is a consistent multi-million dollar producer for Prudential Howe & Doherty Realtors and is recognized as a Prudential "Rock Star" in sales.

### OneWave promotes Marton

OneWave Inc. announced that **Peter Marton** of Andover has been appointed president of OneWave Consulting Services and will be responsible for operations of its consulting services business.

Marton has more than 20 years of experience in the growth of companies dedicated to the sale and delivery of business solutions involving business strategies, processes and technology innovation.

Most recently, Marton



A grand Quota — Diane Masiello of North Reading (center) was the grand prize winner at the Quota International of Andover's recent fund-raising raffle. She won a weekend in North Conway, complete with gifts, clothing and a stay at a luxury condo. At right is her daughter, Linda Hentschel, and at left is Sue Adams, of Andover, president of the local Quota chapter. Quota is a service organization for disadvantaged women and children, and the hearing-impaired.

was senior vice president of enterprise Products and Services at Fidelity Investments. He was responsible for the conception and development of commercial business ventures and the sales and delivery of enterprise-wide service and product solutions to Fidelity business units.

Prior to that he was group vice president of operations of Cambridge Technology Partners. As one of the founding members of its senior staff, he helped grow the firm to 1,062 employees in six years and from \$16 million in revenue to \$132 million. Marton graduated summa cum laude from Tufts University with a degree in experimental physics and computational mathematics, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He earned an M.B.A. degree from Stanford Graduate School of Business with a concentration in new enterprise management.

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## NEWS FOR SENIORS

### Movie matinee

A *League of Their Own*, starring Tom Hanks and Geena Davis, will be shown, Monday, April 13, at 12:30 p.m.

### Fix-it shop

The fix-it shop will be open Monday, April 13, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. The service is open to all seniors in the Andover area.

### Watercolor workshop

Fran McCormick will focus on landscape in watercolor with a review of perspective devices to show depth and space in the monthly watercolor workshop on Tuesday, April 14, from 9 to 11 a.m.

### Beginners Tai Chi

A 10-week beginners Tai Chi class will get under way at the Senior Center Tuesday, April 14, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$30. Tai Chi is a form of gentle exercise that can be done by almost anyone and offers many health benefits.

### Aging is an adventure course

Seniors are invited to join Andover High School students to participate in an intergenerational survey course to be held at Andover High School beginning the week of April 6. Call Pat for further information.

### Archeology

A hands-on, interactive look at archeology will be taught by Gene Wilder and Gabriella Brown from the Peabody Museum Wednesdays, April 8, 15, 22 and 29 at 1 p.m. at the center. The course will include a tour of the museum and a field trip. Register at the center. The cost is \$10 per person.

### Men's monthly breakfast

Norman Ritchie will present a look at history as seen through his 30-year collection of *Time Magazine* covers at the men's breakfast Friday, April 17, at 8:30

a.m. The cost is \$3 per person. Register by calling the center.

### Brown bag luncheon/lecture

Mary Grinnell will present a lecture and slide show on "Women Impressionists in France" Tuesday, April 21. The cost is \$1 per person. Bring lunch. Handouts and suggested reading material will be available. Register at least two days prior to the lecture so adequate seating and refreshments will be available.

### Woodcarving class

An eight-week woodcarving class will begin Monday, April 27, at 9 a.m. Cost is \$15. Participants will supply their own materials. Newcomers with some carving experience are welcome.

### Supper club

The supper club will dine at Ristorante Daniela Wednesday, April 29. The cost is \$13 and the menu is available at the center. The supper club is open to singles and couples and all are welcome any month.

### Current events

The monthly current events discussion group will meet Wednesday, April 15, at 1 p.m. Bring an idea to put on the table for discussion.

### JFK Museum/Library trip

A trip to JFK Museum and Library will be taken Thursday, April 23. A park ranger will board the bus at his birth site in Brookline, now maintained by the National Parks Service, and narrate a brief look around the neighborhood where Kennedy played as a boy and a tour of the home. A tour of the Kennedy Library and Museum will follow a brief stop at Fanueil Hall for lunch on your own. Cost of the trip is \$16 per person, payable at the time of reservation.

### Spring craft and bake sale tomorrow

The annual spring craft and

bake sale will be held tomorrow, Friday, April 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The craft group

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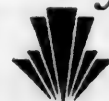
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## Disabled ...

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appropriate description of an African American. Then it changed to "colored," then to "Afro-American," then to "black," then to "people of color" and now African American. Did all those label changes remove discrimination? Not according to civil rights activists.

Over a few decades, I've been told to use "crippled," "handicapped," "disabled," "physically challenged" and "differently abled," to describe

some of those sitting around the table here. But they still feel discrimination, as keenly as ever.

About 20 years ago, the term "special needs" was supposed to make us all feel differently about children with learning disabilities of any type. Now, on playgrounds, that new, "sensitive" term is just as pejorative as "retarded" was a generation ago.

And yet, when we scratch a bit deeper than labels, it is clear that Carr and his cohorts are far from in denial. They are all very much aware of their physical limitations.

So it comes down to what we mean by "whole." And that is where a meeting like this is such a good thing. It's hard, when meeting somebody in a wheelchair for the first time, not to have that be the dominant image in your mind. But sit and talk with Charlie, or the others at the table, for 10 minutes or so, and the chair practically disappears.

It is a shame that more journalists didn't take him up on his offer to meet with him and others who are disabled, but who still lead productive, fulfilling lives. He invited 15. Only two showed up.

Carr himself has married, adopted two children and co-founded the agency where he is now the executive director. While it would be silly to claim that he is physically whole, that is not the point. The point is that, in spite of certain limitations, he leads a life that has meaning and value, and that contributes to our well-being as a society.

In many ways, that makes him more "whole" than lots of those walking around with perfect bodies.

So, sorry Charlie. I won't call you one of Jerry's kids, but you're still a hero to me.

## NEWS CALENDAR

### Thursday, April 2

**Board of Appeals**, hearing on Merrimack Valley Lubavitch, 6:30 p.m.; regular meeting, Memorial Hall Library, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, April 4

**Board of Appeals**, deliberation meeting, Memorial Hall Library, 10 a.m.

### Monday, April 6

**Board of Selectmen**, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

**Sanborn School Council**, school office conference room, 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**Council on Aging**, Senior Center, 8 a.m.

### Tuesday, April 7

**Conservation Commission**, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:45 p.m.

**Board of Assessors**, Assessor's Office, Town Offices, 9 a.m.

**Senior Center Design Selection Team**, Site Evaluation Subcommittee, Senior Center, 8 a.m.

### Wednesday, April 8

**Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection**, public hearing on solid waste incinerator regulations, Haverhill City Hall, 4 Summer Street, Haverhill, 5:30 p.m.

**Senior Center Design Selection Team**, Senior Center, 8 a.m.



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The event will include Black Jack with Andover "celebrity" dealers, roulette and a silent auction that will include weekend getaways, sports events and show tickets, restaurant and beauty store gift certificates, a television and more than 50 other items. There will also be a one-carat diamond raffle. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$22 at the door. For ticket information, call Lynn Huggins at 470-4617, or Wendy Pechacek at 475-3584.

This year's organizing committee is made up of co-chairs Erin Ryan and Liz Burdeau; tickets and finance, Lynn Huggins and Wendy Pechacek; silent auction, Kathy Bligh; decorations, Beth Hempstead and Lisa McDonald; events, Pam Driscoll and Beth Prawdzik; publicity, Pam Ford.

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For the first time in the history of Andover an **Asian Cultural Festival** is planned. Sponsored jointly by the Asian Indians in Andover and the Andover Chinese Cultural Exchange, the festival will be held Saturday, April 4, from 1 to

4 p.m. at West Middle School. The festival will feature music and dance performances from India and China, Chinese music ensemble by Tai Chuen Pan, demonstration and performance of Indian classical musical instruments, Kung-Fu and Yoga demonstrations, an Indian fashion show, and Chinese traditional costume presentation. There will also be a craft demonstration, Mehendi or hand painting. Indian and Chinese food will be available for sale. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$1 for children, and are on sale at Dr. Golf at Shawsheen Plaza and at the door.

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Storyteller Barbara Lipke will be featured at **Andover Bookstore's** April story swap Friday, April 3, at 7 p.m. Lipke has been featured at the National Storytelling Festival and at Three Apples Festival in Harvard. She tells folk tales from all over the world as well as personal tales. Lipke is the author of *Storytelling Mathematics and Science*. A brief story swap will precede the feature. The program is for ages 6 to adult. For details, call (800) 491-0143. A book-signing party will be held Saturday, April 4, from 2 to 4 p.m. in Memorial Hall Library.

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The **Andover Garden Club** will have "Butterflies and Flow-

ers" as the theme of its Tuesday, April 7 meeting at Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St. Suzanne Mahler, butterfly preservation chairman for the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts and trustee of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, will discuss gardening to attract butterflies and hummingbirds.

Mahler grows more than 125 varieties of iris, 100 varieties of hosta, and more than 600 named varieties of daylilies in her Hanover garden, which has been designated a national display garden for the American daylily society and is open to the public during July. She works part-time at Wyman Nursery in Hanson and at Rehoboth's Tranquil Lake Nursery, which specializes in daylilies, Siberian and Japanese iris, and unusual perennials.

The program will begin at 10 a.m. and run for approximately two hours. Non-members are welcome.

Call AGC membership chairwoman Mary Battles at 475-4553. There is a \$3 non-member fee.

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If you have read *The God of Small Things*, or *A Suitable Boy* or *Satanic Verses*, you have read South Asian literature.

A book discussion group is being formed in Andover for

the discussion of **contemporary literature of South Asia** (Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka), including works by authors of South Asian origin throughout the world.

Examples of authors discussed might include Vikram Chandra, Anita Desai, Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni, Farrukh Dhondy, Amitav Ghosh, Romesh Gunsekera, Ruth Praver Jhabvala, Hanif Kureishi, Gita Mehta, Rohinton Mistry, Bharati Mukherjee, V.S. Naipaul, R.K. Narayan, Raja Rao, Salman Rushdie, Vikram Seth, and Bapsi Sidhwa.

Discussion of lesser-known and emerging writers is encouraged.

The primary focus of the group is on authors who work in English. The group is not confined to fiction and may discuss works of interest in other areas as well. Call Champa Bilwakesh at 475-3346.

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**Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings**, under the direction of Trudy Larson of North Andover, will hold their sixth annual benefit concert Sunday, April 5, at 3 p.m. at First Church Congregational, on Georgetown Road in Boxford. Proceeds will go to provide schooling, supplies, clothing and health care for a Haitian child for a year.

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Tickets are \$6; \$4 for students and senior citizens. The concert will last about an hour and a half with a reception to follow. For more information, call 685-7844.

The performance will feature violinists of many ability levels ages 5 to 16 from Boxford, Topsfield, Andover, North Andover, Beverly, Ipswich, Rowley, Lynnfield, Lawrence, Gloucester and Haverhill.

Students from Andover include: Lydra Dallett, Katherine Dix, Veda Eswarappa, Jessica Garone, Courtney Harkins, Julia Kwolyk, and Katherine Pillsbury, string teacher.

The program will include works by Bach, Handel, Mozart, fiddling tunes, and playing in small ensembles, solos and full group performances. The violinists will be joined by young cello students of Anne Rankin of Cambridge.

Proceeds will again go to Partners in Development, a small organization based in Ipswich, which raises funds to support Haitian children and also to give seed money to families to start small businesses. The organization supports 90 children; 20 of them are still in need of sponsors.

This year the Haitian people who had begun businesses gave back more money than the Americans put in, according to organizers.

## Andover authors kick off National Library Week at Memorial Hall Library

National Library Week gets underway this Saturday, April 4, from 2 to 4 p.m. with Andover authors Mary McGarry Morris, Jeanne Schinto and Andrew Coburn, moderated by David Rodger. Ask questions of Andover's famous authors. They will discuss their techniques, style, research methods and future works. Book will be available for autographing.

### Cultural events

**Sunday concert, April 26, 3 p.m.** — Happy Feet, a 10-piece orchestra singing melodies from the 1920s and '30s with a torch singer.

**Irish stories and song, Wednesday, April 22, 10 a.m.** — Magdalen Cantwell was born in Ireland and raised in the rich tradition of Irish storytelling. A love for music and the ancient Gaelic language inspired her to translate tales from the past into English.

### Morning book discussion

Marge Piercy, *The Longings of Women*, April 27, 10 a.m.

### Great books

April 14, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, *One Hundred Years of Soli-*

*tude*

April 28, Nathaniel Hawthorne, *The Blithedale Romance*

The group meets at 7:30 p.m.

### Artist of the month

Mary Beagle works in oil on canvas. She has been interested in Native American culture for many years. Her work is mostly of women doing routine tasks of daily life or participating in cultural celebrations. Beagle does many paintings of the leaders, finding their faces to be the most interesting and expressive. Research for her paintings is done by attending Native American gatherings around Connecticut and Massachusetts and traveling throughout the Southwest.

### New reference services

EBSCOHost is now available over the Internet. The Merrimack Valley Library Consortium has been providing access to the EBSCOHost MasterFILE650 magazine database in all member libraries. This service has been extended to include remote access for everyone with an MVLC library card. Memorial Hall Library is a member of MVLC. If

you have an Internet connection in your home or office, check out [www.mvllc.org](http://www.mvllc.org). Just click on the EBSCOHost icon and type in your MVLC library card number. EBSCOHost abstracts 3,800 titles, and provides the full-text for more than 1,500. For articles that are not full text, call the reference desk (623-9401, Ext. 32) to find out if the library owns the title. If not, the library can try to get it through interlibrary loan.

### Summer Programs for Children

While on the Internet, check out Memorial Hall Library's home page — [www.mhl.org/](http://www.mhl.org/). New online information includes an electronic version of the brochure, Summer Programs for Children ([www.mhl.org/depart/summer98.htm](http://www.mhl.org/depart/summer98.htm)), a listing of local academic programs, summer playgrounds, day camps, overnight camps, enrichment programs, special children programs, and sports camps. A copy of the brochure is available at the library in print format. The brochure was prepared by the ANSWERS staff.

ANSWERS is the library's community information listing of

local agencies, services, and support groups. ANSWERS can be accessed in several ways: by calling the reference desk, by searching the MVLC online catalog in the library, or by telnetting to the catalog from home or office ([www.mhl.org/catalog.htm](http://www.mhl.org/catalog.htm)). Community information is now a separate menu choice on the MVLC online catalog.

### Contact information on local, federal, and state officials

This information, also prepared by ANSWERS staff, is available in print at the reference desk and on the library homepage at [www.mhl.org/local.htm](http://www.mhl.org/local.htm). Included are districts, names, addresses, e-mail addresses, voice and fax numbers.

### Library news

Memorial Hall Library and Andover's public schools work together to provide the resources needed by students. One example of this is the availability of books-on-tape at the library, which may be used by students with learning disabilities or by any students who prefer to hear the book read. Memorial Hall Library's collection of more than 1,600 books-on-tape

includes best sellers, biographies, adventure, humor, young adult fiction, and children's classics. Children's titles are listed in a brochure entitled "Listening on the Go!" — available at the children's circulation desk. Titles of interest to middle and high school students are listed in a separate pamphlet, "Audio Books (for) Young Adult(s)," also available at the library. Talking books may be borrowed for a period of three weeks for either classroom or individual use.

Books on tape are very popular and specific titles are not always available. Titles may be reserved at the circulation desk or on the library's home page at [www.mhl.org/](http://www.mhl.org/). If a title is not owned by Memorial Hall Library, a copy may be available through inter-library loan from another location. Andover's public library and public schools plan to expand the talking book collection through cooperative grant projects.

For more information, call Norma Gammon, library coordinator of community services, at 623-8401, Ext. 49.



# SCHOOLTALK

Jim Hurley, director of athletics, will speak at the Andover High School Parents Advisory Council meeting Monday, April 6, in Room 264 at the High School at 7:30 p.m.

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"Addiction to Thinness" is the topic of a round-table discussion for mothers and daughters at Silverado Athletic Club, 10-12 Main St., this Wednesday, April 8, at 8 p.m. The discussion will be led by two Phillips Academy health professionals, Carol Israel, Ph.D., director of psychological services, and Aggie Giglio, M.S., R.D., nutrition counselor.

The talk is free and open to the public. For information call 474-1888.

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Parent to Parent announced that the final event in its 1997-'98 Townwide Speaker Series will be Malcolm and Laura Gauld's presentation, "Character First: Raising Children with Principles in Today's World."

Their talk will be held Wednesday, April 8 (snow date April 15), at West Middle School Auditorium from 7:30-9 p.m. The presentation is free and open to the public, with the collaborative funding of Andover public school PTOs and PACs, Pike School, and Andover School of Montessori.

Since 1987, Malcolm Gauld has been headmaster of Hyde School in Bath, Maine, overseeing the operation of four additional Hyde School facilities. He has written about character education; what makes schools effective; and the primary role parents play in the character development of their children.

Laura Gauld is the director of family education at Hyde School, and presents parenting programs both locally and nationally. The Hyde Schools are based on an integrated character education model for students, faculty and parents.

The Gaulds will discuss how character and principles, such as honesty, integrity, leader-

ship, courage, curiosity, concern for others, conscience, and humility are really taught, and how parents can help their children learn to live these values.

Organizers said, "They will have some interesting things to say about self-esteem and about the role of fathers. They will provide provocative and challenging ideas for parents to consider, and some specific and helpful guidelines for parents. This evening is sure to be a lively and stimulating discussion on an extremely important and timely topic. If you are concerned by the apparent lack of values in today's youth, and you want to help your children lead positive lives, don't miss this talk."

Parent to Parent is in its seventh year of sponsoring parenting education speakers, parenting education classes and workshops for the community.

For more information, call Maria Bartlett at 470-1278.

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Each spring, YMCAs nation-

wide call attention to the importance of children's safe, healthy development through YMCA "Healthy Kids Day," a special day of learning and fun. This year, the day will emphasize that good health is really a family affair.

"Healthy Kids' Day" will be celebrated Saturday, April 4, at Andover/North Andover Branch, 165 Haverhill St., Andover, from noon to 4 p.m. and at the Lawrence Branch, 40 Lawrence St., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The day's activities will include swimming, basketball, games and obstacle courses. The Lawrence Branch will also have open rock climbing, mountain biking, karate lessons, kickball, water safety class, swim races, parachute games, and volleyball. At the Andover/North Andover Branch, additional activities include a demonstration by the Andover High School girl's basketball team, a children's golf clinic by The Golf Work-

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The Morph Magic Division 2 team from Doherty Middle School came in first place at the State Odyssey of the Mind competition held at Worcester Polytechnical Institute last Saturday, March 28.

They also won a team re-nata for creativity, for their morphing device—a tree that morphed into throne.

Team members are Nick Barash, Gordon Hoople, Alex Marsh, Jennifer Mason, Christa Milley, Geoffrey Shulik and Lea Ventura.

Head coaches are Lynn and Tim Barash and Lorraine Mason; assistant coaches are Cynthia Marsh, Sherry V. Gordon-Shulik, Amanda Barash and Kira Ventura.

shop, family olympics, family aerobics, a Teddy Bear clinic, and face-painting.



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# ON CAMPUS

**Eric Danis**, son of Allen and Joyce Danis of Andover, was named to the dean's list at Brandeis University in Waltham for the fall 1997 semester.

**Jason M. Sebell**, son of Mark and Amy Sebell of Andover, received the dean's award for academic excellence during the spring semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y. The 1994 graduate of the Cambridge School of Weston is concentrating in sociology and anthropology.

A Colgate student must achieve a 3.30 or higher average while carrying a full course load to be eligible for the dean's award.

**Aran Baker**, a junior art (studio) major at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash., is participating in a foreign study program during the spring semester. The 1994 graduate of Phillips Academy is in Florence, Italy, taking classes sponsored by Studio Art Centers International.

**Jessica L. Banos**, a junior at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, is spending the spring semester in Athens, Greece. The Andover High School graduate is majoring in psychology. She is the daughter of Leonard and Janis Banos of Andover.

Colby's approved options for international study include more than 50 programs that cover topics from language and culture to sustainable development and environmental field studies.

Members of the Boston Bates College Club will gather Saturday, May 9, at 8 p.m. at Symphony Hall, 301 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, for an evening with the Boston Pops. A limited number of tickets are available for floor tables and first balcony.

For further information, contact **Nancy Higgins**, 74 Rutherford Ave., #3, Charlestown, MA 02129.

**Elizabeth Beede** of Andover is completing her final year at Mount Holyoke College on South Hadley where her scholarship, extracurricular activities and internships have worked hand-in-hand with her interests in marketing and communications.



**Elizabeth Beede**

The psychology major and complex organizations minor is in the top 15 percent of her class. Named a Sarah Williston scholar for her academic excellence during her first two years at college, Beede was also recently listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. A member of the Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology, she has served as the chapter's public relations officer.

Last summer, Beede was a corporate communications intern at Cahners Publishing Co. in Newton. She wrote and edited items for the internal monthly magazine and weekly newsletter, which has a circulation of 2,500. She also assisted in HTML coding for the company's web page.

In 1996, she was an account service intern with McDougall Marketing, Advertising and Public Relations in Peabody. She wrote handbooks for General Electric's managed care marketing campaign and tabulated employee lifestyle surveys. Also that summer, Beede was a quality control supervisor at Maguire Associates in Concord, where she coordinated the efforts of 30 researchers in collecting students' opinions at Wittenberg and Goucher colleges.

Beede has been working with the Mount Holyoke Office of Communications, writing copy for a brochure to be published this semester for the college's alcohol and drug awareness program. Her extracurricular activities have included volunteering as an upperclass academic adviser, serving on the student government association as part of its communications board, and acting as a residence hall liaison to the office of admission. In the local community, she volunteered as a teacher's aide and participated in the City Year Servathon and Walk for Hunger.

**Dara Ekster**, a 1997 graduate of Andover High School, received the dean's award for academic excellence during the fall semester at Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y. Ekster, whose parents are Mark and Carol Ekster of 76 Cross St., is concentrating in international relations.

**Andrew J. Ewalt**, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Ewalt, and **Finnuala M. Kelleher**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Kelleher, were named to the dean's list at Emory College in Atlanta, Ga., for the 1997 fall semester.

**Mark Frederick True** of 3 Bradley Road completed the requirements for a bachelor of science degree in computer science from Merrimack College. He is a software engineer at the corporate headquarters of System Maintenance Services in Littleton.



**Mark F. True**

The cooperative education student had the opportunity to gain work experience at FTP Software and Picture-Tel corporations. He received a student leadership award and was on the dean's list.

True represented Merrimack in the Model United Nations as its head delegate for three years and was sent to the United Nations in New York this past year.

He wrote a computer information article for the *Argus*, Merrimack's newspaper, and

was the paper's layout editor.

The Andover High School graduate attended Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y. He is the son of Diane J. True and the late Frederick G. True.

**Karen Kirley**, a sophomore at Connecticut College in New London, Conn., has been admitted into the college's Toor Cummings Center for International Studies and Liberal Arts.

The Phillips Academy graduate is the daughter of James and Sandra Kirley of 12 Linwood St.

The International Studies Certificate Program permits majors in any discipline to pursue a certificate in international and area studies. Requirements include interdisciplinary course work, state department-level foreign language training, funded internship opportunities abroad, and a senior integrative project involving an in-depth study of a specific area of the world.

**Ellen Mullane** of Andover, a sophomore in fine arts at the UMass Lowell, had her artwork exhibited in "The Big Show," the annual juried student art show at the college.

More than 50 pieces of art work represented 24 UMass Lowell students.

The demonstrated the diversity of the UMass Lowell art program and included drawing, painting, monotypes, sculpture, photography, paper-making, graphic design, illustration, computer imaging and mixed-media installation.

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## ON CAMPUS

Amy E. Parziale, a graduate of Andover High School, was named to the dean's list of distinguished students for the 1997 fall term at Roanoke

College in Salem, Va. A student must be enrolled in at least four units during the term and earn a grade-point average of at least 3.50, with

### Merrimack to offer master's degree program

Merrimack College in North Andover announced March 23 the establishment of its first ever master's degree program, a master's in education, designed to prepare elementary teachers for the standard certification for grades 1-6. An information session on the new program will be held Wednesday, April 8, at 4 p.m. in Cascia Hall on the college campus. Faculty, staff and administration will discuss the program, course offering and application procedures.

The program will offered on a full- or part-time basis and includes 36 credit hours with a 400-hour clinical experience. All master's degree program faculty are Merrimack professors. For more information or to reserve a place at the information session, call the Division of Continuing Education at 837-5101.

no grade lower than a "C," to be named to the list.

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Randi Spiegel of 4 Alison Way recently became a member of the Gatekeeper Honorary Society at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y. The interdepartmental psychology/political science major is the 1996 graduate of Andover High School.

The Gatekeeper Honorary Society is a select group of student volunteers who serve as tour guides for prospective students visiting Union.

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Wendy Pechacek was recently appointed director of Crossroads, a new experiential learning program for recent high school graduates housed on the Bedford campus of Middlesex Community College. Pechacek will be responsible for marketing

this new Middlesex initiative and will coordinate the program during the academic year.

Recently, she was assistant director of the Career Development Center at Rivier College in Nashua, N.H. Pechacek has a bachelor's degree from Franklin and Marshall College, and a master's degree in college student personnel administration from the University of Maryland.

Crossroads gives students who want to delay college entrance a chance to explore their world

through carefully selected career internships and community service experiences. Combined with career counseling, leadership seminars, and professional one-on-one assistance with the college selection and application process, Crossroads will enable each student to create a comprehensive portfolio of experiences and develop a vision for their future.

Pechacek lives in Andover with her husband and two children.

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## SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what for lunch at Andover public schools the week of April 6-10:

### Elementary schools

**Monday:** Meatball sub with vegetable, baked chicken nuggets, grilled cheese and soup, fruit, milk.

**Tuesday:** Two-taco Tuesday, cheese pizza with graham crackers, chef's salad with bread, fruit, milk.

**Wednesday:** Spaghetti with salad, baked chicken nuggets, cheeseburger sub with fries, fruit, milk.

**Thursday:** Pizza stick with soft pretzel and vegetable, hot dog with fries, chef's salad with bread, fruit, milk.

**Friday:** No school. Good Friday; Passover

begins.

### Middle schools

**Monday:** Fried chicken with potatoes, bagel pizza, chicken nuggets and puffs, fruit, milk.

**Tuesday:** Two-taco Tuesday, bakery pizza, chicken McSchool, chef's salad, fruit, milk.

**Wednesday:** Meatball sub with vegetable, bakery pizza, chef's choice, chicken nuggets and puffs, fruit, milk.

**Thursday:** Baked macaroni and cheese, bakery pizza, chicken McSchool, chef's salad, fruit, milk.

**Friday:** No school. Good Friday; Passover begins.

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# Andover High students named to second-term honor roll

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Mallen, Lauren  
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Mann, Jennifer  
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Morgan, Nathan  
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Mullane, Julie  
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Neri, Caitlin  
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Pellerin, Kristen  
Petersen, Scott  
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Puccia, Jessica  
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Rikeman, Amanda  
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Roth, Megan  
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Sanchez, Kirza  
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Stone, Melissa  
Strube, Lindsey  
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Tully, Sara  
Tuman, Sara  
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Turco, Andrew  
Viola, Julie  
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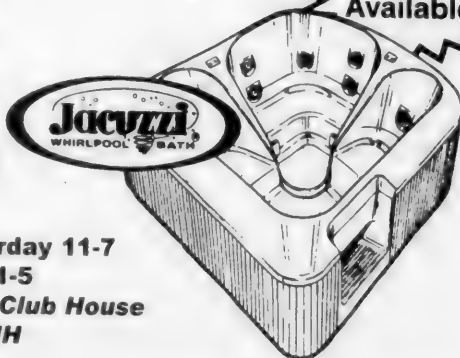


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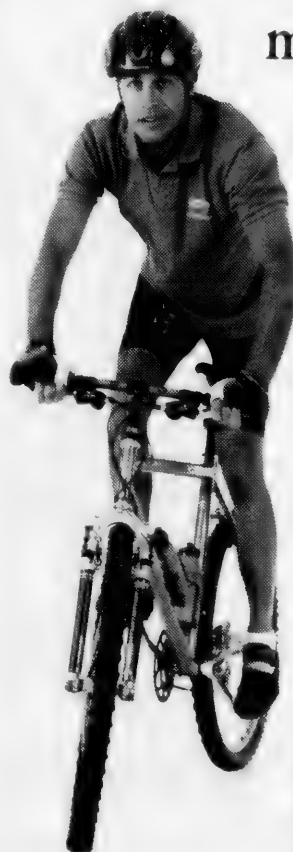
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Ayoub, Phillip  
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Krasik, David  
Lakow, Jonathan  
Liu, Stephen

Mason, David  
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O'Neill, Kristin  
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Ravens, Lindsay  
Rice, Emily  
Rouse, Rebecca  
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Schrader, Laura  
Shapiro, Judd  
Simari, Christopher  
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Stowe, Dorothy  
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Dynes, Joshua  
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Fitzgerald, Andrew  
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King, Christopher  
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Kremer, Emma  
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Mackin, Scott  
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Massihzadegan, Setarreh  
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McGuire, Erin  
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Murray, Caitlin  
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Noonan, Neal

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Pearson, Lindsey  
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Quinn, Jay  
Redding, Jillian  
Rogers, Mark  
Russo, James  
Salini, Christian  
Santiago, Luis  
Scott, Gregory  
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Spires, Leah  
Stamm, Gregory  
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Taylor, Emily  
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Wallace, Michael  
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Yerozolimsky, Yekaterina

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Hough, Catherine M.  
Hsu, Cindy  
Hughes, Daniel William  
Leitermann, Olivia  
McCabe, Adam  
McCumber, Lynne  
McKain, Katie Allyson  
Mirza, Nida  
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Ofria, Jonathan  
Park, Andrew Hyung-Eun  
Pelletier, Nicholas  
Pfeil, Emily  
Roda, Richard A.  
Ronan, John M.  
Schade, Nicholas  
Shaw, Melanie  
Timko, Andrew M.  
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Ventura, Kira N.  
Volinski, Jeffrey  
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Wolk, Rebecca

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Chuang, April  
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Deering, Joseph P.  
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Karnik, Rucha A.  
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Martin, Erik Andrew  
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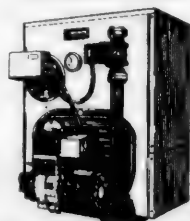
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# EVENTS CALENDAR

## THURSDAY, April 2

**The Messiah of Mickle Street**, presented by The Guild Players Touring Co. of Bennington, Vt., with David Paul Simon as Walt Whitman, 7 p.m., Nevins Memorial Library, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 686-4080.

**Learn about Shawsheen open house**, information on Shawsheen Integrated Primary Magnet School Program for kindergarten, first and second grades, 7-8:30 p.m., Shawsheen School; 623-8850.

**Tewksbury college/career fair**, sponsored by Tewksbury Public Schools, assisted by UMass Lowell and Middlesex Community College, for students in grades 5-12, representatives from 100 universities, colleges, businesses, banks and the military, 7-8:30 p.m., Tewksbury Memorial High School Gymnasium, Pleasant Street, Tewksbury; Michele F. DeAngelis, director of student services, (978) 640-7837.

**Breastfeeding basics seminar**, presented by Midwives of Merrimack Valley, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Mom & Me Maternity, 93 Main St.; RSVP 470-8832.



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## FRIDAY, April 3

**Concert**, New Moon Coffeehouse



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presents Bob Franke, tickets sales 6:30 p.m. at door (also available at Andover Bookstore), 8 p.m. performance, \$10, Murray Room, Universalist Unitarian Church, Routes 110

and 125, Haverhill; (978) 373-9259.

**Scholarship Fund Concert**, Bradford-Pentucket Chorale, 8 p.m., \$10, \$5 students, Methuen Memorial Music Hall, Route 28 (Broadway),

**Merrimack Junior Theatre's production of *Oliver!*** takes place Friday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 5, at 2 p.m. at Doherty Middle School Auditorium on Bartlet Street. Tickets are \$7, with advance sales available. From left are: Ryan Donoghue, Aynslye Accomando, Greg Booth (as the Artful Dodger), McKenzie Jones, Michael Ruderman, Morgan Jacobson (as Fagin), Michael Reyes, Danielle Mendoza, Jeffrey Smidt, Bethany Givens, Emily Robins, Kristen Moffitt, and Eric Giordano (as Oliver). For more information, call Corinne Gediman at 475-3422.

Methuen; (978) 363-5377. **Fusion/funk festival**, presented by Phillips Academy Faculty Jazz Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., Timken Recital Room, Graves Hall, School and Main streets, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4263.

**Story swap**, presented by Andover Bookstore, storyteller Barbara Lipke will be featured, bring a story to tell, for ages 6 for



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adult, 7 p.m., 89R Main St.; (800) 491-0143.

**Country western dance**, lessons 7:30-8:30 p.m., dancing until midnight, cash bar, \$5, North Reading Moose Lodge, 140 North St., North Reading; (978) 664-8561 or (978) 772-2195.

**Easter craft and bake sale**, sponsored by Andover Senior Center, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., 36 Bartlet St.

***Oliver!***, presented by Merrimack Junior Theatre, tickets available at Strawberry Tree on

Main Street, Department of Community Services on Bartlet Street, and at door (if available), 7:30 p.m., \$7, Doherty Middle School Auditorium, Bartlet Street.

**Comedy Palace**, featuring Tony V, at the Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30 p.m., cover charge \$8; 1-888-TOLAUGH.



**Billy Novick and Guy Van Duser at Crossroads Coffeehouse**

**Jazz and swing concert**, Billy Novick and Guy Van Duser, 8 p.m., \$10, Crossroads Coffeehouse, North Parish Church, 190 Academy Road, North Andover; 749-7025.

**Choral concert**, presented by Phillips Academy Andover-Exeter combined choirs and orchestras, Haydn's *Nelson Mass*, 7:30 p.m., Cochran Chapel, Chapel Avenue, Phillips Academy campus; 749-4263.

**Ice Chips**, a production of the Skating Club of Boston, featuring Kelly Duncan, 11, and Kevin Duncan, 8, of Andover, 1 and 7 p.m., \$15, Northeastern's Matthews Arena; (617) 789-4266 or (617) 782-5900.

**Benefit**, for medical research for Carbohydrate Deficient Glycoprotein Syndrome, a rare metabolic disease for which there is no cure, dinner, dancing to The Boogaloo Swamis, door prizes, \$25, 6-10 p.m., Andover Marriott Ballroom; Donna and Paul Yunes (603) 434-3064, or Ralph and Nancy Tufo (617) 846-1835.

## SATURDAY, April 4

**Casino night**, sponsored by Andona Society, gambling, music, silent auction, diamond raffle, 7 p.m.-midnight, \$20 in advance, \$22 at door, Indian Ridge Country Club, Lovejoy Road; Lynn Huggins 470-4617, or Wendy Pechacek 475-3584.

**Asian Cultural Festival**, sponsored jointly by the Asian Indians in Andover and the Andover Chinese Cultural Exchange (ACCE), featuring arts, crafts, music, dance, yoga, kung-fu, food, 1-4 p.m., \$3 adults, \$1 ages 3-16, free under 3 years, tickets sold at door; West Middle School, Shawsheen Road; 623-8700.

**Healthy Kids Day**, sponsored by YMCA, a day of learning and fun, noon-4 p.m., Andover/North Andover YMCA Branch, 165 Haverhill St., 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Lawrence YMCA Branch, 40 Lawrence St.; Elizabeth Payne (978) 725-6681.



◀ **"Thresholds: New Work by Andover Poets"** is free and open to the public. Some Andover poets participating in the April 5 Thresholds reading will include: top row (from left) Kathleen Aponick, Mary Dominick Chivers, Beverly M. Darling, Agnes D. Devejian; third row, Christine Gebhard, Jane Gossard, Frances McCormick, Dennis Richards, Lois Frankenberg; second row, Mark Schorr, Helena Minton, Thomas F. Mofford; front row, Patricia Wells Thornton, Paula Trespas and Lawrence Rungren. Refreshments will be served. The library is wheelchair accessible. For more information, call 470-0040.

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# OBITUARIES

## Norman B. Guild III Well-known local self-employed contractor

Norman B. "Chip" Guild III, 38, of North Andover died Thursday, April 26, in an automobile accident on Route 28 in Andover.

Mr. Guild was born in Cincinnati, Ohio. The former Andover resident graduated from Andover High School in 1977, where he lettered and was a trainer in football, basketball and baseball. He attended Springfield College.

Mr. Guild was a self-employed contractor for 15 years. His company, N.B. Guild Construction Co., built many of the area's larger homes. His skills as a finished carpenter were recognized internationally. He did finish carpentry in the King of Kuwait's palace.

### Deaths Elsewhere

**BRENNAN** - Julia M. (Zielinski) Brennan, 60 of Lawrence died Saturday, March 28, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of her family include her mother, Helen Boguszewski and brother, Dennis Zielinski, both of Andover.

**EMERSON** - Eleanor A. Emerson, 79, of Cromwell, Conn., died Saturday, March 28, at Pilgrim Manor in Cromwell.

Members of her family include her sister, Virginia Roache of Andover.

**TIMMONS** - Ruth E. (Goff) Timmons, 86, died Monday, March 30, at Prescott House in North Andover.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Peter and Catherine Timmons of Andover.

**WRIGHT** - Mia A. (Dixon) Wright, 41, of Wilmet, N.H., died Tuesday, March 24, at home after a long illness.

She was a graduate of Andover School of Business.

Members of her family include her sister, Dena Dargoonian of Andover.

Mr. Guild was a member of Andover Baptist Church.

He was involved in golfing, skiing, climbing, camping and boating, and had traveled across the country several times.

Members of his family include his daughters, Jocelyn Elizabeth Guild and Kimberly Olivia Guild, both of Methuen; parents, Norman and Shirley Jane (Spence) Guild Jr. of Andover; stepdaughters, Jaime Schradermier of California and Caryn Schradermier of Methuen; stepson, David Schradermier of California; brothers, Dr. Brad Guild of Concord and Ron Guild of Andover; three nieces; a nephew; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services were held Monday at Dewhirst and Conte Funeral Home. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Andover Baptist Memorial Church Funds for the Youth, 7 Central St., Andover, 01810.

## Evelio Gonzalez Owned construction company in Cuba

Evelio Gonzalez, 78, of Andover died Wednesday, March 25, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mr. Gonzalez was born in Cuba where he was a self-employed owner of a construction company.

He attended St. Augustine Church. Members of his family include his wife, Esther (Ramirez) Gonzalez of Andover; and sons, Dr. A.M. Gonzalez of Pennsylvania and Jesus Gonzalez of Denver, Colo.

Funeral services were private. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.

## Ruth D. McGowan Was an IRS tax examiner

Ruth D. McGowan, 80, of Andover died Friday, March 27, at home.

Mrs. McGowan was born in Lawrence and lived there for most of her life. She graduated from St. Mary High School there.

She was a parishioner and communicant at St. Patrick Church in Lawrence for some 50 years.

Mrs. McGowan was a tax examiner for the Internal Revenue Service.

She loved to play Scrabble and was well known for her Toll House cookies and chocolate-covered brownies.

Members of her family include her daughters and sons-in-law, Patricia and Bob Freeman of Hampton Beach, N.H., and Judith and Albert Martell of Groveland; son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Norma McGowan of Dracut; five grandsons; one granddaughter; one great-grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the widow of Harold F. McGowan.

Calling hours are scheduled for today, Thursday, April 2, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at John Breen Memorial Funeral Home Inc. 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence.

A funeral Mass will be said at 10 a.m. in St. Patrick Church. Burial will follow in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lazarus House, 260 Park St., Lawrence, MA 01841; or to the charity of one's choice.

## Rita M. Prussman Was longtime office manager with Trombly's Bus Co.

Rita M. (Martelle) Prussman, 52, of Gould Road died Tuesday morning, March 31, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton.

She was born in Methuen and lived there for the greater part of her life, attending both the Corliss and Central junior high schools. She was a graduate of Tenney High School.


For many years she was employed as an office manager with Trombly's Bus Co. and was co-owner of Ceramic Art on Railroad Street in Methuen.

She was a member of the Arnold Greenwood Post 8349 Ladies Auxiliary VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) in Methuen, and attended St. Monica's Church, Methuen.

Members of her family include her husband of 33 years, Henry A. Prussman; a daughter, Debra A. Prussman of Natick; sons Scott H. Prussman and his wife, Donna, and Henry A. Prussman IV, all of Andover; sisters Joan Drolet and Vera MacCannell, both of Salem, N.H., and Nancy Murach of Methuen; a brother, James Martelle, also of Methuen; grandchildren, Corey and Branden Prussman of Andover; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be said tomorrow, Friday, at 9 a.m. in St. Monica's Church with interment to follow in Elmwood Cemetery, Methuen.

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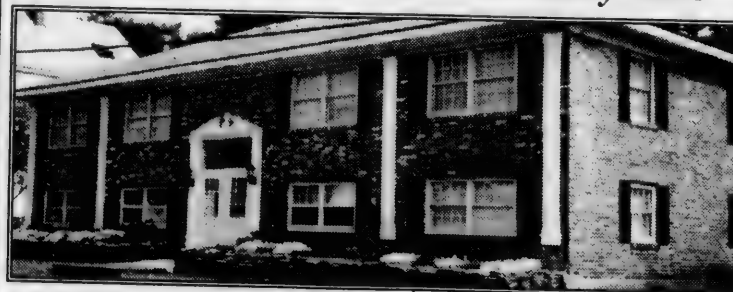
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# OBITUARIES

## Rita M. Prussman

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Calling hours are today, Thursday, from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the Pollard Funeral Home, Inc. 233 Lawrence St. Methuen.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, MA 01701.

## Diane E. Gauthier AHS grad; medical clerk at the Lahey Clinic

Diane E. (Runge) Gauthier 54, a longtime resident of Lowell, died Monday at her home. She was the wife of Maurice Gauthier and lived on Joyce Avenue in Lowell before moving to Wilder Street.

Born in Reading, Mrs. Gauthier was the daughter of Rachael E. (Van Horne) Runge and the late Wallace L. Runge Sr.

She attended Reading elementary schools, graduated from Andover High School, and worked as a medical information clerk at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington.

Besides her mother and her husband, she is survived by her children, Gregory Norris of Plaistow, N.H., Kelly Norris of Salem, N.H., Lauren Norris of Lowell, Russell Gauthier of Nashua, N.H., Dale Gauthier of Hudson, Fla., and Wayne Gauthier of Waltham; brothers, Wallace Runge of Andover and Eric Runge of Westboro; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are invited to a memorial service this Sunday, April 5, at 2 p.m. in the Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St.

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# BIRTHS

**AUDIER** - A son, Peter Wiles, born to Philip and Melissa Audier of North Reading on Jan. 18 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are Sandra and Jim Tenaglia of Andover, Jay and Mark Audier of Malden and Linda and Jack Batman of Sanford, Fla. Grandmothers are Helen Wiles of Harwichport, Miriam Marquis of West Jordan, Vt., and Connie Audier of Milwaukee, Wisc.

**BAINBRIDGE** - A son, Camron Lee Bainbridge, born to Jonathan and Sharon Bainbridge of Middleton on Feb. 22 at Beverly Hospital. Grandparents are Christy and Diane Massios of Middleton and Margaret and Trevor Bainbridge of Andover. Great-grandmother is Edith Hunt of England. Camron has a brother, Tyler.

**BRECKINRIDGE** - A daughter, Rebecca Lynn, born to John and Nicole Breckinridge of Bedford, N.H., on Feb. 27 at Elliott Hospital in Manchester, N.H. Grandparents are Pauline and Richard Charpentier of Manchester, N.H., and Mary and Bill Breckinridge of Andover. Rebecca has two siblings, Tyler, 4, and Rachel, 2.

**BRIGGS** - A daughter, Katherine Maria, born to Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Briggs of 3 Stirling St. on March 14 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jorge Mugnani of Deerfield Beach, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Briggs of Marion.

**BRODY** - A daughter, Dena Miriam, born to Jonathan and Ellen Brody of Andover on Feb. 20. Grandparents are Phyllis and Arthur Lurie of Swampscott and Bernice and Harold Brody of Cape Coral, Fla., formerly of Manchester, Conn. Dena has a brother, Adam.

**CONWAY** - A daughter, Grace Louise, born to Kevin and Kim Conway of Andover on Feb. 20 at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boston. Grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Karlyn E. Wood of West Babylon, N.Y., and Elizabeth A. Conway of Maitland, Fla. Grace has two sisters, Shannon and Allison.

**FANG** - A daughter, Madeline Nicole, born to Francis and Karen (Annesi) Fang of 16 Grey Birch Road on March 3 at Lawrence General Hospital. Grandparents are Paul and Josephine Fang of Belmont and Florence Annesi of Newton. Madeline has a brother, Stephen, 11, and two sisters, Katherine, 9, and Christina, 5.

**FRASER** - A daughter, Katherine Lorraine, born to Paul and Laurie (Carvalho) Fraser of Lockway Road on Jan. 19 at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Grandparents are Lorraine Carvalho of Woburn and Elinor Fraser of Reading. Katherine has a brother, Connor Joseph, 3½.

**GARDNER** - A son, David Edward Jr., born to David Edward and Jennifer (Ward) Gardner of Methuen. Grandparents are Gary and Margaret Cornell of Londonderry, N.H., and Frank and Gail Luce of Tewksbury. David has a sister, Jessica.

**GRIECO** - A daughter, Ava Marie, born to Susan and Anthony Grieco on March 7. Grandparents are Mike and Nicolina Grieco of Revere, Barbara Blake of Ipswich and Richard and Jean Blake of Fort Meyers, Fla. Ava has a sister, Andrea.

**HART** - A daughter, Olivia Goodwin, born to Jessica Goodwin and J. Terrence Hart of Princeton on March 22 at Memorial Hospital in Worces-

ter. Grandparents are Robert and Gwendolyn Goodwin of Central Street.

**JOHNSON** - A daughter, Alissa Meghan, born to Joseph and Sarah (Brent) Johnson of Groton on March 7 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are James and Deborah Brent of Andover and Al and Jenny Johnson of Milton. Great-grandparents are Mary Brent and Everett and Dorothy Dearborn, all of Andover. Alissa has a sister, Noelle, 2.

**MALAGARI** - A son, Adam Daniel, born to Scott and Daniele (Sedlacek) Malagari of 174 High Plain Road on March 2 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are Edward and Mary Kay Sedlacek of Lower Burrell, Pa., and Frank and Patricia Malagari of Freeport, Pa. Adam has a brother, Nicholas.

**RAYMOND** - A son, Bradley Clifford, born to Charles and Betsy (White) Raymond of Sandown, N.H., on March 14 at Columbia Parkland Medical Center in Derry, N.H. Grandparents are David B. White of Andover, Priscilla White of Haverhill and Marjorie Raymond of Wentworth, N.H. Great-grandfather is Kenneth P. Thompson of Palm Harbor, Fla. Bradley has a sister, Emily, 3.

**REDDY** - A son, Michael Stephen, born to Stephen and Terri Reddy of 10 Juniper Road on Feb. 28 at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are Vincent and Mary Lou Tavernese of Stoneham and William and Mary Reddy of Woburn.

**SHAHEEN** - A son, Mitchell James, born to Stephen and Sandra (Ceppi) Shaheen of North Andover on March 5 at Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center in Methuen. Grandparents are Roger Ceppi of Worcester and Manny Shaheen of North Andover. Mitchell has a sibling, Cameron.

**SMITH** - A son, Gavin Hastings, born to Erik and Lauren (Hastings) Smith of Avon Street on Feb. 4 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Grandparents are Cynthia Hastings and Joseph Hastings, both of Andover, and Chris and Olga Smith of Bellevue, Wash. Great-grandparents are Imelda Lampros of North Andover, Vivian Davies of Holliston and Kay Smith of New Jersey. Gavin has a brother, Hugh, 2½.

**WALSH** - A daughter, Erin Constance, born to Kevin and Deirdre Walsh of Arlington on Feb. 19 at Winchester Hospital. Grandparents are James and Constance Skahan of Winchester and Thomas and Gertrude Walsh of Andover.

**WARNE** - A son, Geoffrey Clark, born to Nicholas Warne and Brenda Clark-Warne of 27 Farrwood Drive on March 13, at Lawrence General Hospital. Geoffrey has a brother, Christopher, and a sister, Sarah.

**WEBBER** - A son, Daniel Peter, born to Bill and Cyndi (Tully) Webber of 219 River Road on Feb. 20 at Beth Israel Hospital. Grandparents are Ruth and Bill Tully of Woburn and Peter and Marcia Webber of Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Daniel has a sister, Jessica Ruth.

**WILSON** - A daughter, Amanda Lisa, born to Craig and Lisa (Boudreau) Wilson of North Andover on March 4 at Anna Jaques Hospital in Newburyport. Grandparents are Betty Boudreau of Andover and the late Theodore Boudreau and Ken and Karen Wilson of Andover and the late Sigrid Wilson.

April Happy 1st Birthday photos are due Friday, April 24 at 5 p.m.

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## FinCom ...

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The senior center article is probably the least significant rejection. Council on Aging Chairman Marty Epstein has said he doubts the seniors would choose Williams Hall for the new center. In addition, the town can still negotiate a lease even without Town Meeting approval and selectmen have also voted to withdraw this article from the warrant.

But Town Meeting voters tend to follow the FinCom's advice. So its stance on spending for recreation land and the safety center at this time could help defeat those articles, just as its vote helped persuade the School Committee to withdraw the middle school article.

The FinCom vote against bonding \$1 million for purchasing recreation land came because the town does not know specifically how the money will be spent, says Schroeder. The town wants to put the money in a fund and decide later what land will be purchased.

"Bonding it now without having a specific site doesn't give you any information," says Schroeder, who says the issue would have to come back to another Town Meeting anyway once a site was selected. "Not having a land site,

not knowing what you're approving (is a bad idea). Just to put a fund together and tie up your bonding capacity (is not fiscally sound)."

At its heart, the problem is a lack of information.

"It's the same issue with the public safety building. We recommended disapproval for that because we haven't received information from the study approved last town meeting," he says.

Before it supports additional funding for a safety center, the FinCom wants to hear the architectural study's recommendations regarding how to best expand the current police and fire stations, he says.

Some FinCom members may also be hesitant to approve such articles without a wealth of supporting information, in part because they're concerned about the town's future ability to fund both significant long-term projects and Andover's growing annual budgets.

"Andover is blessed that it has the new growth, and that growth has allowed us to start new programs and hire new people," says Schroeder.

But he cautions that if the town continues to start expensive projects and hire new officials during this high-growth period, when the growth slows, the town will need to cut existing programs or positions to keep taxes under control.

Other officials have expressed similar concerns this year ("What will we do when the boom ends?" Townsman, Jan. 29).

FinCom members want to be sure town officials' information clearly indicates the town needs and is doing the right thing in building a middle school, safety center and senior center.

### Sinking the middle school

Regarding the reasons for voting against the school article, the FinCom says it needed more information, such as the complete results of a Cross Street-area traffic study. Schroeder says the committee particularly wanted to make sure the

school department's population projections unquestionably show the town won't need to close a school in the future if it builds a new one now.

Although Schroeder says the School Committee might have changed the FinCom's vote before April Town Meeting if it had supplied additional information, he seems to think school officials are better off delaying a town vote until the fall.

"There's a very large possibility of a (fall) Special Town Meeting," he said. "Another six months will give everyone a chance to digest the information, which I think is positive."

## Senior center at PA option off warrant yet again

By Neil Fater

The on-again off-again relationship between the Town Meeting warrant and an article that would allow seniors to lease a Phillips Academy building for use as a senior center is off again.

Town Meeting will withdraw the article allowing the town to lease Phillips' Williams Hall for a senior center, assuming voters follow the lead of their selectmen.

Selectmen Monday unanimously voted to take the article off the warrant. It marked the second time in as many months selectmen have nixed building a senior center on Phillips' land.

"That's where we were two months ago," said Selectman John Hess, after the vote.

Selectmen originally voted to remove the article from the warrant because they did not believe the Phillips' site was a viable option. But after seniors said they wanted their architect to study Williams Hall before the option was rejected, the selectmen put it back on the warrant.

Monday selectmen learned that the architect probably will not have his Phillips site study completed until after Town Meeting. Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said he's still negotiating the architect's contract.

Apparently believing the architect will ultimately apply a toe tag to the Phillips' option anyway, selectmen took their vote.

Larry Larsen said he would not support the

article because he didn't want the town to enter into an agreement with Phillips.

Selectman Brian Major said he didn't want a senior center article to go to Town Meeting unless it represented the site where a center will definitely be built.

The Finance Committee had already voted against supporting this article, because of the lack of specific details, said Chairman Don Schroeder. Schroeder noted the town manager could still negotiate with Phillips, and if a deal was reached, it could be approved at a Special Town Meeting this fall.

With the withdrawal of the Phillips' option, the seniors may be down to just one realistic site for their center, a large piece of land near the West Fire Station. However Council on Aging member Dorothy Bresnahan did tell selectmen the seniors are looking at a couple of new sites recently brought to their attention.

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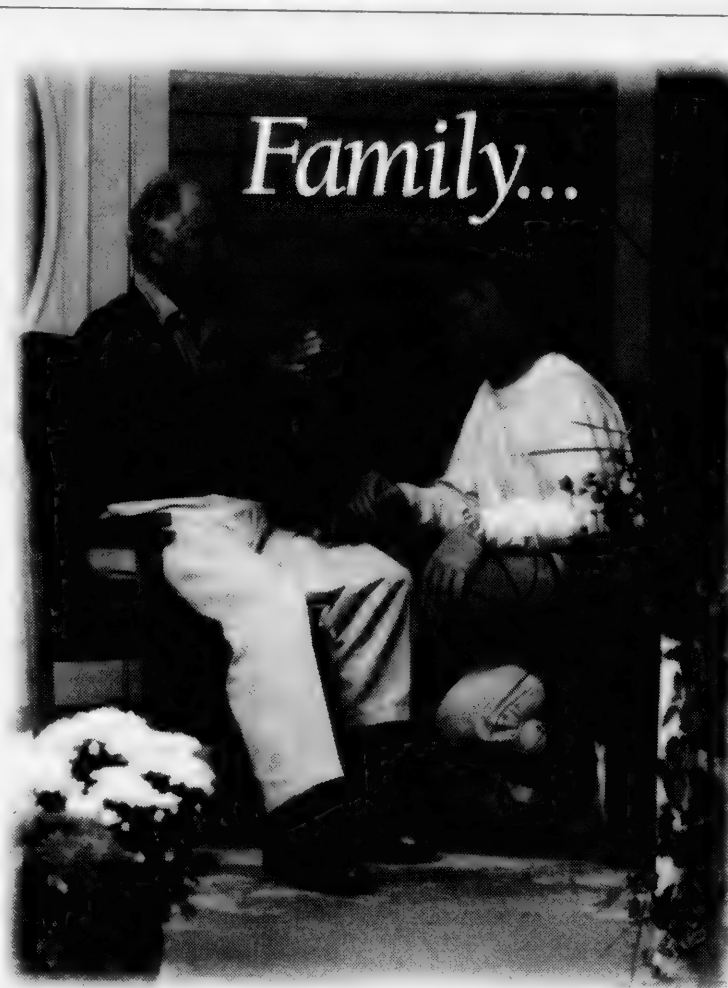
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# Squeezed ...

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still having trouble. That's because older schools weren't built for today's curriculums, which include space for some special needs classes, computer labs and, at the middle school level, larger group or "team" activities.

Enrollment is expected to drop about 24 students next year, with populations going down in Doherty Middle School; at Bancroft, South and West elementary schools; and Shawsheen Integrated Primary by an average of 14 students per school (the largest drop expected is 41 students at Shawsheen). Enrollments are expected to go up by 13 students at Sanborn Elementary and 34 students at West Middle School.

But overall, the School Department's long-term enrollment predictions show only a rise in the next 12 years. This year's enrollment of 4,229 in elementary schools and middle schools is expected to drop to 4,205 next year, but increase in the following year to 4,233, and to 4,295 by the year 2000. Enrollments are expected to continue to grow to 4,695 in grades K-8 by 2010 — a jump of 466 students.

The proposed plan to build a grades 5-8 middle school is aimed at relieving the space crunch at both elementary and middle-school levels, by moving all fifth-grade classes from the elementary schools into three 5-8 middle schools. The two existing middle schools, Doherty and West, now include grades 6-8.

So while the School Committee voted this week to withdraw the proposed new middle school from the Town Meeting warrant, for possible resubmission in the fall, school administrators say the space crunch is real, and is not short-term.

The *Townsmen* asked them to make their case this week, school by school.

## Elementary Schools

Norah McCarthy, principal of the **Bancroft Elementary School** walks a fine line between chaos and control. As she tours the school from space to space (few of the classrooms are walled off on all sides), students gravitate to her — often stepping out of their class to hug her knee or flaunt their latest project.

McCarthy is like a magnet in the halls, as students slip in and out of their classes to greet her, but despite Bancroft's unique open-spaced design, keeping things under control in their proper spaces is not unique to any Andover School, principals say.

Bancroft's coping mechanisms are creativity and optimism, McCarthy says.

"You can look at it as a problem, or you can look at it as a challenge," she says.

Bancroft, designed with fewer walls than traditional schools, was intended to promote a free-flowing atmosphere for up to 516 students. This year, just

# Andover's crowded classrooms

SCHOOL	AVERAGE CLASS SIZE	SCHOOL CAPACITY*	ENROLLMENT THIS YEAR ( '97-'98 ) (% CAPACITY)	ENROLLMENT NEXT YEAR ( '98-'99 ) (PROJECTED)
Doherty Middle School Grades 6-8	25	700	735 (105%)	732
West Middle School Grades 6-8	26	625	647 (104%)	681
Bancroft Elementary Grades K-5	22	516	598 (116%)	592
Sanborn Elementary Grades K-5	24	443	475 (107%)	488
South Elementary Grades K-5	22	614	629 (102%)	613
West Elementary Grades K-5	23	846	852 (101%)	847
Shawsheen Integrated Primary Pre-K - Grade 3	20	279	293 (105%)	252
<b>SCHOOL TOTALS</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4,023</b>	<b>4,229</b>	<b>4,205</b>

\*According to the School Department, "capacity" is the number of students a school was designed to hold with intended use of its spaces. A room designed specifically for art or music would not be included in the number of regular classrooms. The number of classrooms multiplied by the School Committee's recommended class size calculates the school's capacity, says Andover Superintendent of Schools Richard E. Neal. The School Committee recommends (plus or minus four students) that class size be 20 students in kindergarten classes, 23 students in first or second grade, and 25 students in third through twelfth grade. Capacity is calculated from the amount of permanent space. The number shown for the Bancroft school does not include space provided by the four portable classrooms.

*Townsmen chart by Rebecca Lipchitz and Jack Grady*

under 600 students attend Bancroft, nearly 100 of them in portable classrooms on the school grounds.

McCarthy, like her fellow principals, praises her staff for being as creative and as effective as they can as spaces get tighter. In the open spaces of Bancroft, tighter also means louder.

Positives to the portables, or "modulars" as they are known at Bancroft, include the more quiet atmosphere through the whole school.

"You can be spontaneous and not worry about your neighbors," says fourth-grade teacher Lynne Vaughn, who enjoys teaching in the modular classroom.

"We went from being very open to very closed, but we've adjusted well," she says, but adds that moving kids back and forth to the media center (library), lunch, and other activities that are held in the main building take up time, particularly when students need to put their coats on or take them off.

The monthly assemblies McCarthy used to hold have given way to lunch periods and physical education programs in the cafeteria.

"You're always juggling" she says of the daily scheduling acrobatics the staff performs to fit in all the scheduling requests for the few closed spaces in the building.

For a few months this year before the modular classrooms were complete, Bancroft, like Sanborn, had music on wheels, known affectionately as "the traveling minstrel" McCarthy says.

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The **Sanborn School** on Lovejoy Road, has had art-on-a-cart and music-on-wheels for seven years, says Principal Dr. Jade Reitman.

Terri Scullin, music teacher at Sanborn, says she is responsible for the same curriculum as other elementary music teachers in Andover.

"I still have to do it, just under total-

ly different circumstances," she says.

The major drawbacks to music-on-a-cart, she says, are that elementary music programs often involve a lot of movement that can't be done in a room full of desks. She also has limited use of the chalkboards to avoid disturbing lessons for other classes already displayed, and she can't just whip out an instrument at a student's request; they have to work with what was packed on the cart that day.

Reitman describes holding art class in a regular classroom as "problematic." The same limit on materials applies to music and to art-on-a-cart: unless it fits on the cart, you can't do it in class. Students are limited to projects the size of the desk they are working on, and clean-up in rooms without sinks is less than ideal, she says.

"Art and music have been found to be vital to a child's development," Reitman says. She has requested, with the help of a Sanborn parent group, to have two more portable classrooms added to the budget for Sanborn next year.

One of the schools with enrollments expected to rise next year, Sanborn is slated for two portables already, but that would not free up the art and music rooms for those specialties unless they had another two portables, she says.

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While other schools may not have art-on-a-cart or music-on-wheels, they do have some dedicated space for such programs, like the opportunity to use the auditorium for music classes at **West Elementary**.

But even that isn't a sure bet says Principal Charles Friel.

When events are scheduled for the auditorium, music classes are bumped and staff are left scrambling for space, he says.

Other space woes at West El include the need to use the art room as a classroom, moving art to the cafeteria in a setting that must be constantly set up and broken down; tutors and assistants meeting in open areas like foyers and hallways; not enough space for the computer labs, making it difficult to schedule all students with equal computer time; and overload in the cafeteria, which puts nearly 350 students in any given lunch period, causing long lines and lots of noise.

Friel describes those space crunch problems in a letter to parents "What A New Middle School Means to West Elementary," in support of the middle school plan.

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# Squeezed ...

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All principals of Andover elementary and middle schools say they support the middle school plan (see sidebar, below), including Eileen Woods of South School, a building that was recently renovated.

They too sacrificed their music room to a regular classroom despite an \$8-million renovation three years ago.

Woods says the four added classrooms from that renovation were appreciated, but filled up immediately. Office space and room for adaptive physical education programs are most scarce, she says, but adding to the school when classroom space runs out would make the school too big.

Like Sanborn, they're already digging into dedicated space for classrooms.

"If I had to take some space, it would be the art room," she says reluctantly.

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**Shawsheen Integrated Primary School**, a prekindergarten-through-second-grade magnet school, was established to relieve overcrowding at Bancroft and West Elementary, Principal Theresa Murphy says, but the school is in a unique position because its magnet school status gives administrators the authority to limit enrollment.

Today the school operates just over capacity, Murphy says, keeping a close eye on class sizes.

"We have no way to expand. We are what we are," Murphy says.

They do plan to move some prekindergarten classes into the trailer outside the school now used by the SHED (Shawsheen Extended Day) program that is expected to move to the Philips Academy Campus next year, Murphy says, but doesn't expect much space relief from that.

"We have a real squeeze now," she says, including a combined art and music room, and a portable stage for the cafeteria that is in use most of the day for lunch. The former stage is now an art area for a kindergarten classroom.

Another unique element to Shawsheen is that its enrollments are difficult to predict. Many working parents who send their children to private, full-day kindergarten don't put their children into the system until first grade, where the biggest influx historically occurs.

## Middle Schools

While Andover's West and Doherty middle schools might have seen the space crunch coming, getting some relief still isn't easy now that the problem has arrived, says Doherty Principal Floyd McManus.

"We're not looking to warehouse kids. We're looking to provide an educational environment where they can learn," he says.

West Middle Principal Vicki Simms agrees, and adds that portables are not a long-term solution.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

**Crowd control** — One might think classes would be the most challenging part of a Doherty Middle School student's day, but it appears navigating the halls between classes is even more complicated.

"They do look nice, but they don't speak to what goes on in a day," she says. Portables cause problems both in team configurations and 43-minute periods, says Simms, who already spends much of her day trying to schedule spaces for activities including team meetings (a group of classes in the same grade — about 100 to 125 students).

McManus can rarely schedule a team activity at Doherty without displacing another class that uses their one large common space — the cafeteria — home for chorus, science fairs, some physical education and of course, lunch.

"Every time somebody wants to do something special we have to ask, 'How many people is that going to impact?'" says Doherty Assistant Principal Bruce Maki.



**"Traveling Minstrel"** — Music "a la cart" isn't ideal, but it's been done for seven years at the Sanborn School, since the music room has to be used as a classroom.

## Principals: We need new school

All seven Andover school principals in elementary and middle schools agree that the town needs a new Middle School.

"I see the need, and I trust the School Department's figures," says Eileen Woods, head of South Elementary School.

"This is a very desirable town. The schools draw people to the community," she says.

Vicki Simms, Principal of the West Middle School and a member of the Middle School Planning Committee, moved to Andover when she took the job in 1995. She lives near the Cross Street site of the proposed Middle School.

"I'm a taxpayer too and it troubles me that people think a school is a disadvantage to a neighborhood," she says in response to a neighborhood group who opposes the school.

West Elementary School Principal Charles Freil wrote a letter to parents of his students stating his support for the plan.

"Building a new 5-8 middle school would lower West Elementary student population to the vicinity of the recommended capacity. It would also enable us to improve the learning environment for the remaining students," he said in the letter, which specifically addresses the benefits of the project to West Elementary.

Doherty Middle School Council parents echoed support for the plan:

"The planned 5-8 middle school will solve these problems at Doherty while also alleviating school overcrowding system-wide," they wrote in a letter to Doherty parents last week.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

West Middle now holds three lunch periods a day, one for each grade, which is important socializing time for students on different teams in the same grade, who don't see each other in class, Simms says.

Next year, West may need to add a fourth lunch period to the schedule because there is no more room in the cafeteria for any more students.

Teachers at both middle schools have moved to a smaller lunch room to create another classroom, principals say, which they believe shows that teachers would rather have classroom than office space.

"Floating" teachers at West Middle this year include two special education teachers, three world language teachers and one English as a Second Language Teacher.

Health Education Teacher Lana Reuss is one of the lucky few. Her program involves visu-

als that include anatomical posters and charts that plaster the walls of her room. Such visual cues aren't available for world language teachers who don't have their own classroom, Simms says.

Next year, Simms expects to have to assign floating status to a classroom teacher, and isn't looking forward to making that choice, she says.

McManus also has no home base for his world language teachers, and a complicated strategy for getting all teachers into a classroom when necessary.

Giving up two academic resource rooms to classroom space at Doherty is more than a loss of space to plan for teachers, McManus says, but it makes it more difficult for students to find their teachers outside of class.

"The problems are invisible," McManus says.

Maki says teachers, students and staff cooperation are the key to harmony in tight spaces.

"In my view we are very fortunate. The children are very well behaved in the cramped hallways," he says.

When the number of lockers at Doherty doubled, the amount of hallway space shrank by more than a foot, McManus says, pushing more kids into less space.

At Doherty, the math room is an art room, and the school television is in the library, which can be disruptive, McManus says.

At West Middle, the library/media center only has enough space to book a class every eight days to fairly distribute the amount of computer time per class, Simms says.

Karl Lippmann, physical education teacher at Doherty, says the space crunch has not only sent his classes outdoors just about all year long but sometimes leads to students sitting out if 75 of them are together in one small gymnasium.

"It's affected the whole building, but we try to get creative," he says.



# School board tables middle school, hopes to rally voters

By Rebecca Lipchitz

School Committee members voted unanimously Tuesday to withdraw Article 29 from the Town Meeting warrant, which asks voters fund the next phase of the proposed new middle-school construction project.

Committee members and administrators agreed that the next three weeks before Town Meeting was not enough time to address questions about the project and rally support for the article.

"I hope people see this as a step forward and not backward," said Superintendent Richard E. Neal. "It's a chance to develop a saleable plan to the town."

In the wake of the article's disapproval by the Finance Committee last week, Committee member Tina Girdwood recommended pulling the arti-

cle to allow more time for proponents to work with other town board members and voters and clarify the issues.

"There are issues that still could perhaps be massaged to a greater extent," she said.

Committee member Tim McCarron said he agreed with Girdwood and similar comments made Monday by Selectman Larry Larsen.

McCarron's motion to withdraw the article was seconded by Skip Eccles.

Eccles said he thought the town would have a better sense of enrollment projections by September, and hoped that by then the bitter taste of construction woes at Andover High School would be dissipated. "Maybe we'd find it a bit of a gem," he added.

New Chairman Eric Nadworny said his prime concern

is solving the long-term space need with a town-wide perspective, and agreed the article would have a better chance at a fall Special Town Meeting.

"It makes a lot more sense to go forward when we feel all the questions have been answered," Nadworny said, but added that the delay should not be confused with lack of support for the project by the School Committee or Middle School Planning Committee.

"By withdrawing the article, we're not repudiating any work that's been done. All the alternatives have been (considered). I don't think it's for naught. We are not starting all over. We're just not ready to proceed at this point."

When Girdwood suggested a "broader-based approach" by forming a subcommittee to work with selectmen and the

FinCom, Nadworny declined to entertain a motion but named Girdwood liaison to those boards for middle school planning issues.

FinCom members told the Townsman before Tuesday's meeting that their disapproval of the article was not a disapproval of a middle school project per se, and that they recognize a need for space across the system.

"But, we're not convinced that enough work has been done with numbers and various configurations," said FinCom member Donald Robb.

FinCom Chairman Donald Schroeder agreed, and added that a lot of the information from the first round of planning for the project was released too recently to bring to Town Meeting this spring without further study.

Neal said the original time line plan to have the school open by 2001 could probably be met if the project passed at a special fall Town Meeting, but no later.

Earlier in the meeting before the committee discussed the article, resident John Hart, leader of Citizens United for a Better Andover (CUBA), a group of residents vocally opposed to the middle school project, told the committee his group was circulating a petition to defeat the article.

He said 90 percent of the people he approached signed it, but did not say how many signatures he collected.

Their petition cited several objections to the project, including too few hearings on impact of the project, a threat to the town's watershed and safety issues around the proposed location.

"We want less risky and less costly options to be considered seriously by an impartial group," Hart read from the petition.

Committee members did not refer to the petition in their reasons for withdrawing the article, but Eccles said he wants "those who think we're on the wrong track" to join the committee and middle school planners in working out the details, instead of offering "vague statements" about how much they think the reported costs were underestimated and how to solve the space needs problems.

"Join us in preparing an alternative solution to compare in realistic terms," he said.

Dick Collins, in his first meeting since he was elected last week, made it a unanimous vote, and commending them and Neal for their work on the project.

Patricia Minton, moderator of the Townwide PTO, said Wednesday morning that the vote to withdraw the middle school article "does not change the situation in our elementary and middle schools. All the school buildings at both levels are terribly over-crowded, and the number of school children is expected to increase."

Minton said she hoped the selectmen, FinCom and School Committee would bring a plan forward in the fall that "addresses the space needs" at those levels. "This delay will allow them to be certain that we have the best solution possible," she said.

"We need to move forward with some haste," she said. "I urge the community to stay informed, and work together to plan for the future."

## School notebook ...

### New title, same seat

School Committee members were welcoming and congratulatory to election victors Tina Girdwood and Dick Collins at their first meeting together Tuesday.

Restructuring of the board made former secretary Eric Nadworny the new chairman.

Skip Eccles, named secretary, was "deeply honored," he said, but declined to move from his seat at the end of the table to the traditional secretary's seat next to the chairman.

### Red letter day

Andover students and teachers get to ring in the school year in September, 1998 with a long weekend. School Committee members set the school year to begin Monday, Aug. 31 for teachers and Wednesday, Sept. 2 for students, since a traditional post-Labor Day start date would finish the year June 30 — and that's before any snow days were allowed.

Labor Day falls on Sept. 7 this year.

Chairman Eric Nadworny says that while the teachers' contract normally prohibits them from working before Sept. 1, the union and the committee worked out a one-time-only agreement for this year to keep the school year from

running too deeply into summer.

### You may have already won ...

School Committee members voted to submit a budget request of \$33,537,152 to Town Meeting this year, an amount approved by selectmen. Superintendent Richard E. Neal says the budget was reduced by \$60,000 in utility bills since the Andover High School renovation, and by \$35,000 because a plan to start a world language program in elementary schools next year was eliminated. The \$33.5 million request still tops the town manager's recommended school budget by more than \$33,000.

### If a pen falls on a mouse pad ...

Committee member Tim McCarron received a complimentary personalized mouse pad from school technical coordinator Barbara Worcester before Tuesday's meeting, to dampen the rhythms of his writing implements.

"Our microphones are very sensitive," Worcester told the committee.

McCarron, who has a tendency to fidget with and tap — if not toss — his pen on the desk during meetings, was gently encouraged to do so on his new mouse pad instead of the table, since the sounds are picked up on the microphones broadcasting meetings on the local cable channel.

— Rebecca Lipchitz

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# Town celebrates swearing in of new chief

By Neil Fater

Amid the pomp, tradition and bagpipes-playing of his swearing-in ceremony last Thursday, new Police Chief Brian Pattullo again pledged to bring significant change to the Andover police department.

Before a standing-room-only hall of supporters, Pattullo said he'll use open communication, new programs and his officers' untapped talents to improve both the department and its relationship with residents.

"I want the Andover Police Department to become the most accessible resource the people of this town have," said Pattullo. "We're going to break down the barriers that presently exist (such as those between the youth and police)."

Because of the prospect for change, Pattullo said he can

sense excitement within the department.

Sgt. William MacKenzie, the evening's master of ceremonies, seemed to agree, saying, "I've never seen so many smiles in my life. When I go into work in the morning, everyone wants to buy coffee."

Selectman Brian Major said so many officers wanted to be part of the honor guard saluting Pattullo that the town had to turn people away.

As a result, the upper room of the

Andover Town House (Old Town Hall) was packed for the ceremony, with everyone from former chief James Johnson to state Sen. John O'Brien on hand.

Seeing all of the state and town police in the room, and the line of police cruisers outside the building with their lights flashing, O'Brien cracked, "Everyone in town ought to be here, just for

safety's sake."

During the ceremony, the new chief praised his family for their support and offered his mother a bouquet of flowers. Other town leaders also expressed their respect for the entire Pattullo family.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said Andover is blessed to have the type of talented employees it does.

"The Pattullo family epitomizes that sense of public duty," said Stapczynski. "It's families like these that make Andover great."

Specifically addressing the new chief,

Stapczynski said Pattullo has the skills, talent, experience "but more importantly the temperament to lead" the department into the next century.

As he heads into that new century, Pattullo will take with him some light-hearted advice from MacKenzie, who offered a few passages from Life's Little Instruction Booklet.

Among the passages read by MacKenzie was, "Be a leader. Remember, the lead sled dog is the only one with a decent view."

Then MacKenzie offered some different advice.

"Never give anyone fruitcake," he said, expressing his dislike of the dessert. "That's one of my own."



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

I do — Police Chief Brian Pattullo makes it official.

## Local flasher is back

Hearing last week that warm weather was in the forecast, Det. Sgt. Kevin Winters predicted Andover's flasher would appear again with the crocuses. He was right.

The next day, Thursday, there was a report of an indecent exposure.

"Here it is the first good day that we have and he's back at it again," said Winters. "Hopefully someone will report something and we'll be able to catch him."

Unfortunately, this flasher appears to be no one-year flash in the pan, and Winters believes the incidents will continue, because historically the spring

is a time of increased exposures. Police describe the repeat flasher as a 5-foot-7-inch or so white man with dirty blond hair who is in his late 20s to mid 30s.

They believe the same flasher who targeted Andover residents for much of last year may have been involved with another report from Monday evening, but are not sure.

A woman jogging downtown around 10 p.m. reported seeing a car drive by her with its lights off. A short time later a man came out of the shadows with his hands cupped over his genitals.

— Neil Fater

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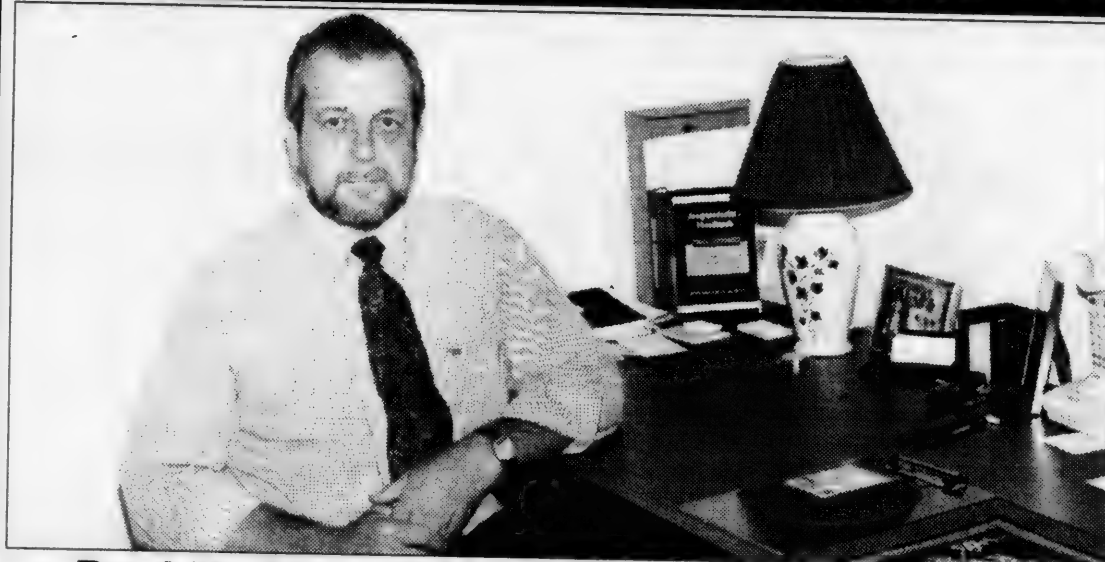
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Mr. Madden's experience includes many years working as a registered nurse in a head trauma unit. He later became state licensed and NCCA certified after a three-year course at the New England School of Acupuncture.

In his family practice, he treats a wide range of ailments such as allergies, chronic and acute pain, sports injuries, bowel and bladder problems, skin ailments, back and neck pain, digestive difficulties, PMS, impotence and infertility, morning sickness, stress, depression, and headaches.

How does acupuncture work? Generally, an acupuncturist works with various kinds of "chi" or energy in a person, working to bring the energy into balance.

"The study of acupuncture teach-

es us how to read energy and balance it," Mr. Madden said.

Acupuncture recognizes the connections between a person's physical, emotional and spiritual health, something that practitioners of western medicine are only beginning to acknowledge. No one knows precisely how acupuncture works. With recent approval from A.M.A. and N.I.H., new research is being conducted.

In addition to acupuncture, Mr. Madden is able to work with acupressure, moxibustion, heat lamps, magnets and is a certified hypnotist.

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Every single elementary and middle school in this town is already overcrowded. It is time to do something substantive, instead of the "Band-Aid" solutions that have been applied incrementally over the past several years. Portable classrooms can be added to some schools, but they can not be seen as anything except temporary relief. They allow for enough classes so that class sizes don't exceed the upper limits of school policy, but they exacerbate the strain that already exists on the core facilities, such as the cafeterias and gyms, of each school.

For some schools, portables are out of the question. West Elementary, where my son is in fourth grade, will have nine fifth-grade classes next year. The school has over 850 students, when it should have 750. The cafeteria, which has a capacity of 300, sometimes has 350 children at lunch time. It also has to serve as an art room. Children on the third-grade playground have to alternate days on which they can use the playground equipment, because there are too many children. It is unconscionable to keep our children in this situation for a protracted period of time. We certainly can not be using portable classrooms for the next 12 years. Three and a half more years is bad enough, when our children need a new school now.

The Andover School Department has used a well-established process to project the number of school-aged children who will be in the system through 2011, and it estimates that we need room for 850 additional students. A Space Needs Advisory Council, made up of 30 dedicated people from the community, met for several months in 1996 and 1997, studied the issue carefully, and recommended what they thought was a sound, cost-effective, and safe solution for our needs. It is one new middle school, for grades 5-8, which can help alleviate overcrowding in all the elementary and middle schools in town. (The other alternatives included adding on to and renovating multiple elementary and middle schools). And the state recently informed the town that it will cover 60 percent of the cost of building this new school.

Some parents are concerned about moving the fifth grade into the middle schools. This is a separate issue about which I could write another letter. Let me just briefly state that I would not hesitate to put my children into this school configuration. Our experienced educators have the ability and the dedication to do this well, and more than three years to work out the kinks. In my view, our imagined concerns about possible problems with this issue do not have nearly the significance of the very real space problems we now have before us.

Getting back to the space issue, the CUBA (Citizens United for a Better Andover) group states that the town's population estimates are off, that our space needs are only short-term, and that we don't need a new school. They employ statistics such as future birth rates and less new home development to support their argument. I don't believe that these statistics represent the

whole truth about our future population of school-aged children in this town. For instance,

- Most new children in our schools have not moved into new construction, but into existing homes.

- There is a lot of job-related turnover of real estate in Andover, and there is no reason to believe this will not continue.

- The Andover schools have a strong reputation, which probably draws a disproportionate number of families with young children to this town.

- School officials estimate that the kindergarten enrollments are slightly lower than projected because some parents need to keep their children in private full-day kindergarten programs. They expect enrollments to increase again for first-graders.

Additionally, one of our elementary schools, Shawsheen, is old and may not be able to house students in the years to come.

My husband and I moved to Andover in 1992, specifically so that our children could attend the Andover schools. I know literally dozens of other families who picked this community to live in because it has the best schools in the area.

So, even if overall projections are for a decline in school-aged children, it is very possible that this may not happen in Andover to same extent. People come here for the schools.

The truth is, no one can tell us exactly how many children there will be in this town in 2011. There will be some error in the projections one way or another. If we are going to err, can't we, as their advocates, choose to err on the side of the children? If we don't build, these space problems will definitely be with us for many years to come. If we do the right thing, in three-and-a-half year's time we could be sending all of our children off to school knowing that they will have the facilities and services they deserve. And further down the road, if population figures do drop a little, we might have the incredible "problem" of having to cut class sizes down to 21 or 22 children in a classroom. Now, that would be a refreshing problem for the children of Andover to face.

Lauren Miller  
32 Stoneybrook Circle

## Sign up for safety

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am turning to the *Townsmen* to suggest one quick, inexpensive measure toward reducing the frequency of accidents along Route 125, from Route 114 to Route 93. Traversing Route 125 frequently myself, I sympathize with motorists who must access this heavily-traveled road from the intersecting side streets.

I cite the Exeter/Hampton (N.H.) Express-

way (Route 101) as a like comparison to Route 125. While this road certainly still has its problems, and reconstruction of some sections will improve it, for many years it was known for the high incidence of serious (many times fatal) accidents, the heavy volume of traffic and excessive speeds.

One way the problem was rec-

ognized and addressed by state and local officials was to erect road signs directing motorists to "Turn headlights on for safety during daylight hours."

I noted that with increasing frequency over the years, most motorists did so. I believe this simple act on the part of the driver certainly improved visibility,



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raised the awareness factor of the dangers of the road and probably heightened attention levels of all drivers.

I agree with the need for traffic signals at several of the intersections along Route 125. No doubt these will be installed eventually. In the meantime and even thereafter, why not install signs on Route 125 as used on the Exeter/Hampton Expressway. I believe it may be possible for such signs to do so at a nominal cost, without road studies and traffic counts, in a time-effective manner and also be long-lasting. "Headlights on for safety during daylight hours" can only help along the entire stretch of this road — from Route 114/Route 125 to the Route 93/Route 125 interchange — even after we get those additional traffic signals.

Susan Walsh  
Morningside Drive

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## Time for an Avalon school budget

Editor, *Townsmen*:

At the March 17 School Committee meeting, a group of Sanborn parents gave an impassioned plea for portable classrooms that would alleviate a shortage of art and music space.

Their request to the committee was logical, well-documented, and symbolic of what happens every year during the school budget process. Ironically, two members of Finance Committee were present to hear the discussion of space shortages in Andover school. The enigmatic FinCom: engineering wizards of the latest model.

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the biggest bang for the buck. Effect: Champagne taste, beer expenditure.

Taxpayers love their stealthmobile; they love its reputation (bond rating), and its fuel efficiency (free cash millions, average per-pupil expenditure). Consequently, when parents come to meetings in March each year looking for changes in the budget to improve the system, (e.g. music and art space restoration), officials look at each other with glazed eyes, mouthing a variety of platitudes and evasive rationalizations; they know that most of these decisions were made in the late fall, either ignoring the need, or before the actual need surfaced.

They say things like, "I'm a fiscal conservative; you know that, JoAnn. Even if it costs \$1.4 million over the next three years, we have to get the boards together to solve this desperate need."... yada yada yada.

All very convincing, unless you've heard it all before, other years, other issues, same song and dance. As long as the real needs materialize after the formulated budget, we'll have the power brokers yanking chains, maintaining the status quo. Who's really going to mount a successful challenge to the way the machine is greased? No one wants higher taxes; we certainly don't want to reach the levy limit under Prop 2½; and we absolutely don't want to touch that sacred cow called Free Cash.

Basically, we have diametrically opposed values among many people who have kids in our schools. We have parents who want a Lexus school system with all the bells and whistles; we also have those who want to keep that 50-mpg Tercel, with extras like CD players (computers) to impress everyone.

Which one is it, Andover? Luxury model that our kids deserve, or economy model with no music or art? How about a compromise — something like a trendy Avalon? With this financial model we could use some free cash, that security blanket sitting unused

in the FinCom's attic. Andover the Boomtown could actually namedrop its school system again, without being embarrassed by comparisons to towns like Lexington, Concord, Weston, or Brookline. We could actually restore our reputation by putting our money where our mouth is.

What many parents don't understand is that the actual budget power for the schools is not in the hands of the School Committee; the loss of fiscal autonomy back in the '70s made them paper tigers in the money arena. The FinCom, selectmen, and town manager set the hurdles and hoops for the school side to jump over and through. It's a power trip, a control thing, played out in many towns.

Generally speaking, the school side doesn't play the game well enough to win many money battles; they usually won't fight hard for more staff or new programs; they will make the case for bricks and mortar, but that's easy

because the state kicks in 60 percent, and Town Meeting usually will vote a Prop 2½ debt exclusion override for a bargain like that.

If parents, PACs and school councils want the paradigm to shift in this land of Oz, they have to pull back the curtain to expose the Wizard. The hoax is how the budget is formed and what the real motives are for maintaining such a disgraceful per-pupil expenditure.

You'll hear all kinds of denials about how off-base the above analysis is; expect a new black-and-white, animated film entitled *Shoot the Messenger*. Those who hold the power don't ever want to fess up about the way things really are; illusions must be maintained, or it exposes years of smoke and mirrors that everyone believed before Dorothy came back to consciousness.

Here we are a month away from Town Meeting; major financial decisions loom ominously on the horizon.

Unless the power elite reaches out to the public-school constituency, supporting initiatives that will provide more space, staff, and supplies, the Andover school system will continue to wallow just above average on the statewide per-pupil-expenditure list.

Parent and teacher groups need to join forces to influence those who so skillfully control the purse strings. With an industrial tax base that's the envy of dozens of comparable towns, and clusters of high-end, plush homes successfully built on speculation each of the last few years, Andover can afford to be the Avalon model. Do our kids deserve to be funded like an economy sedan (the all-new FinCom, brought to you by the same old FinCom), especially when their parents cruise around in a loaded Saab, Volvo, or Lexus?

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# POLICE NOTES

## ARRESTS

Wednesday, March 25 - At 2:17 a.m., after a Bellevue Street caller reported hearing a bang and then a car horn, an officer found a vehicle that had hit a utility pole. Charles A. Adcock, 34, of Bossier City, Louisiana, was arrested at the scene, and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

Saturday, March 28 - At 10:27 p.m., Merrimack College security reported they were bringing in a minor who was in possession of alcohol.

Monday, March 30 - At 9:07 p.m., a 35-year-old Lincoln, Maine, resident was taken into protective custody on Old River Road.

Tuesday, March 31 - At 1:20 p.m., after a motor vehicle stop, Michael P. Pezzano, 33, of Lawrence Street, Lawrence, was arrested on River Road and charged on a warrant for failure to pay fines for shoplifting.

## INCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 25 - At 2:04 p.m., a Lowell Street motorist reported seeing a male hit a female near the Mobil station. The two people got into separate cars, and an officer reported checking the area. As of 4 p.m., no one had called the police station to report an assault.

Thursday, March 26 - At 7:45 p.m., a motorist called to report hitting a cat on Gould Road between Route 125 and Farrwood Drive. An officer found a white cat that had died.

Friday, March 27 - At 2:02 a.m., after an emergency call about a 17-year-old female passed out from alcohol, the female was taken to Lawrence General Hospital.

At 2:22 p.m., police were sent to prevent anyone from falling into an open hole in the Main Street sidewalk caused by a missing manhole cover. Public Works was contacted and a worker was on his way with equipment to block the hole.

At 3:30 p.m., a Wildwood Road resident reported a male in his late 20s or early 30s had exposed himself to an elderly neighbor after he fell near her. The man, wearing red jogging shorts and a white shirt with blue stripes, left on foot, running toward Route 28 before turning right onto Holt Road.

Saturday, March 28 - At 12:43 a.m., the Railroad Street Express Mart reported two males who would not leave the property. An officer reported they were sent on their way.

At 3:02 p.m., an officer planned to contact the water department regarding the use of a Lowell Street hydrant by Raytheon employees with a street sweeper.

At 4:58 p.m., a Memorial Circle caller reported two youths with squirt guns had squirted her car and "she knows who they are."

At 6:20 p.m., an Andover caller reported a domestic problem between a mother and her daughter.

At 11:22 p.m., there was a report of a large gathering of kids on conservation land off Reservation

Road. Officers cleared the area but saw a campfire later. When they approached "kids scattered" and an officer confiscated some liquor.

Sunday, March 29 - At 3:09 p.m., an Andover Marriott employee reported an indecent exposure.

At 4:43 p.m., a South Main Street caller told police that there was an elderly woman in a red bathrobe walking down the street who probably needed assistance. An officer brought the woman, who was from North Reading, to the station and she was returned to her home by North Reading police.

At 5:53 p.m., there was a report of two teen-agers "around the age of 13 hitch-hiking" on Route 133. A sergeant reported the two were of legal age, from Vermont, and told to stay off the highway.

At 8:41 p.m., an Andover woman reported a problem with her 15-year-old daughter.

Monday, March 30 - At 9:11 p.m., a Shawsheen Road man reported someone had threatened to kill him.

At 9:59 p.m., after reports of a woman screaming on Morton Street and a vehicle speeding away, an officer was to file a report. The officer transported a victim home.

Tuesday, March 31 - At 7:43 p.m., there was a report on Railroad Street of "a very distraught male who asked a female for a quarter and claimed his mother was dying, he was getting fired from his job and he was going to murder someone tonight." An officer reported finding no one in the area.

## BREAKS

Tuesday, March 31 - At 5:31 p.m., a Balmoral Street resident reported someone had stolen her wallet from her house.

## CAR BREAKS

Wednesday, March 25 - At 12:51 a.m., an Andover man reported his car was broken into at Pumps Pond. He told an officer he saw the kids who did it getting out of the

car and knows who they are.

Thursday, March 26 - At 12:34 p.m., a South School employee reported her vehicle had been stolen from the school.

Saturday, March 28 - At 6:07 p.m., an officer reported the theft of a radio from a car on Main Street.

Sunday, March 29 - At 3:18 a.m., there was a report of a car break at the Ramada Rolling Green Hotel.

At 11:41 p.m., an employee of a River Road company reported seeing two youths breaking into cars in the parking lot of the Tage Inn. An officer reported four car breaks.

Tuesday, March 31 - At 6:36 a.m., someone reported a car break at the Grill 93. The owner came into the station a few hours later to make a report.

## THEFTS

Wednesday, March 25 - At 8:50 a.m., there was a report of a missing cellular phone from a Merrimack College dormitory.

Thursday, March 26 - At 3:43 p.m., a detective was to file on the use of a bad check at the Express Mart on Railroad Avenue.

Friday, March 27 - At 9:34 a.m., a detective was to file on the report regarding a credit card that was stolen from the YMCA Monday, March 23.

Sunday, March 29 - At 9:49 a.m., a Bellevue Road resident reported items, such as a pocket-book, missing from the resident's home.

Tuesday, March 31 - At 7:45 a.m., a Main Street hair salon reported a sign stolen.

## ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, March 25 - At 1:22 p.m., a motorist reported a car accident on Haverhill Street. An officer requested an ambulance for someone involved in the two car accident who was complaining of pain on the left

side of the body.

At 11:58 p.m., there was a report of an accident on Route 28 under the 495 bridge. The Jaws of Life were requested, a detective was called to take photos, and the state reconstruction team, the chief, the medical examiner's office and the Trauma Intervention Program were all notified.

Friday, March 27 - At 5:11 p.m., there was a report of a serious accident with personal injury near Interstate 93 and Frontage Road.

Saturday, March 28 - At 9:42 a.m., a Tewksbury Street resident reported a stone wall on his property had been damaged by a car.

At 1:48 p.m., there were calls regarding an accident with injury on Whittier Street.

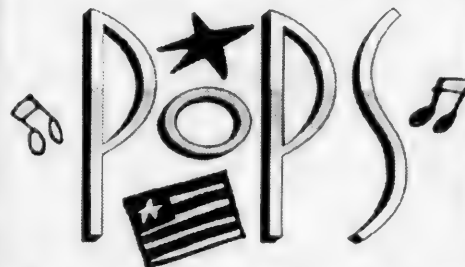
At 2 p.m., a bike-riding youth was involved with an accident with a motor vehicle on Main Street. The youth was walking around, said he was OK and refused treatment. An officer contacted the youth's parents and advised them of what happened.

At 4:28 p.m., there were several calls regarding an accident with injuries on North Main Street.

## VANDALISM

There were four cases of vandalism reported this week.

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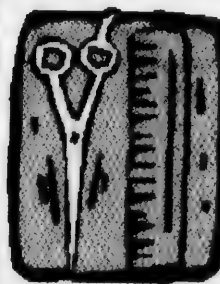
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**Book-signing party**, authors Mary McGarry Morris, Andrew Coburn, Jeanne Schinto, refreshments, 2-4 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Norma A. Gammon 475-6960.

**Boston Pops concert**, sponsored by Rotary Club of Tewksbury, Lowell 5¢ Savings Bank and Market Basket, Keith Lockhart conducts, 8 p.m., Lowell Memorial Auditorium, 50 East Merrimack St., Lowell; Ticket Master (978) 981-2000.

**Oliver!**, see entry under Friday, April 3.  
**Comedy Palace**, see entry under Friday, April 3.

## SUNDAY, April 5

**Young artist recital**, by 1997 Concerto Competition finalists, including cellist Alexei Gonzales, 18, of Andover, presented by Indian Hill Arts, 3 p.m., Kalliroscope Gallery, 264 Main St. (Route 119), Groton; \$15; IHA ticketline (978) 486-0540.

**Ice Chips**, 1 p.m., see entry under Saturday, April 4.

**Choral concert**, 3 p.m., Phillips Church, corner of Front Street and Tan Lane, Exeter, N.H., see entry under Saturday, April 4; 749-4263.

**Alice in Wonderland**, ballet presented by Dance Prism, tea with cast after performance, 2:30 p.m., \$16 adults, \$8 children, seniors, Collins Center, Shawsheen Road; (978) 371-1038.

**Thresholds: New Work by Andover Poets**, readings by including Kathleen Aponick, Jeri Bayer, Mary Dominick Chivers, Ned Clay, Beverly M. Darling, Agnes D. Devejian, Lois Frankenberg, Christine Gebhard, Jane Gossard, Frances McCormick, Nancy Bailey Miller, Helena Minton, Robert A.

Mirisola, Thomas F. Mofford, Diane M. Pitochelli, Dennis Richards, Lawrence Ruark Schorr, Ellen Davis Sullivan, Patricia Wells Thornton, Paula Trespas, Deborah Warren, wheelchair-accessible, 3:30-4 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; 470-0040.

**Silk fibers lecture** by Florence Feldman-Wood, Andover spinning and weaving expert, reservations, 2-4 p.m., \$10, museum members 20 percent discount, American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400.

**Stamp show**, sponsored by Manchester, N.H., Stamp Club, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Center of NH - Holiday Inn, 700 Elm St., Manchester, N.H.

**Girls basketball clinic**, sponsored by Lady Riverhawks, for girls grades 1-8, 10 a.m.-noon, pizza party, noon-1 p.m., University of Massachusetts Lowell; (508) 934-2325 or (508) 934-2326.

**Hike**, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, northern end of Bay Circuit Trail, six miles, meet at Doyon Elementary School, Ipswich, 12:30 p.m., Pat Glennon (978) 346-0570.

**Hike**, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, Middlesex Fells, Stoneham, 3-5 miles around three reservoirs, meet at Sheepfold parking lot, 1:30 p.m., Jack Gentile (978) 658-0526.

**Concert**, pianist Fernando Laires performs Chopin, Debussy, de Falla, Liszt and Beethoven's *Pathetique* sonatas, part of Creative Arts Beethoven Festival, 3 p.m., Brannen Brothers Flutemakers, 58 Dragon Court, Woburn; Creative Arts (781) 942-0538.

**Concert**, Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings, featuring Andover residents Lydra Dallett, Katherine Dix, Veda

Eswarappa, Jessica Garone, Courtney Harkins, Julia Kwolyk and Katherine Pillsbury, string teacher, proceeds benefit Partners in Development, an organization which raises funds to support Haitian children, reception follows concert, 3 p.m., \$6, \$4 students, seniors, First Church, Congregational of Boxford, Georgetown Road, Boxford; 685-7844.

**New England craft and specialty food fair**, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$2, under 14 free, Jimmy's Allenhurst Ballroom, Route 114, Danvers; Terry Mullen (603) 755-2166.

**Oliver!**, 2 p.m., see entry under Friday, April 3.

## MONDAY, April 6

**Meeting**, Civil War Roundtable of the Merrimack, talk on "Capture of a Newburyport merchant vessel by the C.S.S. *Alabama*," anyone interested in the Civil War is welcome, 7:30 p.m., Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, Green Street, Newburyport; Elizabeth Kelly (978) 346-4631.

**AHS PAC meeting**, speaker Jim Hurley, director of athletics, 7:30 p.m., Room 264, Andover High

School, Shawsheen Road.  
**Meeting**, Learning In Retirement Association (LIRA), Doris Tereshko will discuss the city of Jerusalem, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Mogan Center, 40 French St., Lowell; 250-1807 or 967-7425.

## WEDNESDAY, April 8

**Meeting**, More S.T.E.P., a follow-up peer support group, for those who have completed the S.T.E.P. program, 9:15-10:45 a.m., South Church, 41 Central St.; Gretchen Keohane 475-5711, or Janice Hold-

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## Go take a hike with the Andover AMC

Here is a listing of upcoming events sponsored by the Andover Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club:

**Sunday, April 5**, 12:30 p.m. Hike northern end of Bay Circuit Trail, 6 miles. Meet at Doyon Elementary School, Ipswich. Pat Glennon (978) 356-0570.

**Sunday, April 5**, 1:30 p.m. Hike Middlesex Fells, Stoneham, 3-5 miles around three reservoirs. Meet Sheepfold parking lot. Jack Gentile (978) 658-0526.

**Sunday, April 19**, Outdoor Leadership Workshop. A.M. instruction, lunch p.m. hike. Call Dave Doub 470-3703.

**Sunday, April 19**, 1:30 p.m. Hike West Parish Horse Trail, Andover. Meet at West Parish Cemetery. Susan Kelly (617) 491-3415.

**Sunday, April 19**, 38th annual Wapack Trail hike - first section, 5.5 miles. Boots recommended. Meet at Miller State Park. Register with Larry Blood (781) 944-0929.

**Sunday, April 26**, 10 a.m., Andover to Topsfield bike ride, 35 miles. Rain postpones. Meet in Andover. Register with Carol Bernhard (978) 373-6874.

**Sunday, April 26**, noon, Hike northern end of Bay Circuit Trail, 6-7 miles. Meet at Ipswich River Bridge, Pat Glennon, (978) 356-0570.

**Sunday, May 3**, 9 a.m., Circumnavigate the Fells, 10-12 miles. Bring lunch, snacks, drink. Meet at Stone Zoo parking lot on Pond Street, Stoneham. Joe Pirrello (978) 521-0382.

## Win a set of four Beanie Babies!

Drawing to be held Monday, April 6

Hippity, Hoppity, Floppity and Ears have spring fever. They've been hopping around the Townsman office looking for flowers to fill the bucket, but they haven't had any luck. We've told them that maybe they are looking in the wrong place - that instead of looking around the office, they should be looking in the paper! See, we took eight bunches of flowers and hid them in the pages of the Townsman. But despite their big ears, the bunnies aren't listening to us.

Can you help Hippity, Hoppity, Floppity and Ears find the flowers? Look through the paper over the next four weeks, find the flowers, color them in, cut them out and arrange them in the bucket that was printed in the March 12 issue. When you're done, mail them to "Bunny Contest," Andover Townsman, P.O. Box 1986, Andover, MA 01810. We'll enter you into a random drawing to win the four Beansies! Enter as many times as you want, but please, no facsimiles.

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## SPORTS

## It's springtime for Andover High sports teams

## AHS SPRING PREVIEW

By Rick Harrison

*The 1998 Andover High spring sports season opened yesterday with a boys volleyball match. The other six varsity teams all swing into action within the next eight days.*

*Following are preview capsules of each AHS team.*

## BASEBALL

The 1997 Andover High baseball team left this year's squad with a pretty tough act to follow.

The Golden Warriors of last spring went 21-4 overall, winning the Merrimack Valley Conference Large School, Lawrence Invitational Tournament and Division 1 North titles before the season ended with a loss to eventual state champ Brockton in the Eastern Mass. championship game.

The locals were not even challenged in the Division 1 North tourney, rolling to lopsided wins over Medford (10-3), Revere (8-2), Chelmsford (23-4) and St. John's Prep (9-2) before being pounded themselves by the mighty Boxers (14-3).

Six key players graduated from that AHS team, which came very close to giving the locals an unprecedented third state title in seven years.

The talented half-dozen includes shortstop Brian Tisbert (now attending NCAA Division 2 power Rollins College), pitcher/outfielder Mark O'Sullivan (also at Rollins), pitcher/outfielder Rob Busby (Worcester Tech), first baseman Steve Vickers (University of Rhode Island), pitcher/outfielder Dan Gosselin (Merrimack) and outfielder Jack Glazebrook (Northern Essex CC).

Tisbert had a .403 career batting average and hit .412 last season, while O'Sullivan hit .396 for his career and went 7-3 as a pitcher including 4-0, one save, 2.05 ERA last spring.

Busby had a .319 career average and was 8-2 as a pitcher (6-1, one save, 2.69 ERA last year).

Steve Vickers hit .420 last year and .373 for his career, Glazebrook batted .417 in limited plate appearances and Gosselin batted .298 last spring.

Heading the list of returning starters are senior first baseman Ben Gibson, senior catcher Joe Maglio, senior second baseman Rob Oppenheim and senior third baseman Scott Petersen.

Maglio sports a .312 career batting average, Oppenheim is .311 and Gibson .292.

A fifth starter from last year — who went 8-2 on the mound, has 15 career pitching wins and hit .453

— is currently trying to get an MIAA waiver to compete this year (his eligibility is in question because of his age). He is supposed to learn his fate today.

Other varsity lettermen back are junior catcher Ryan Hanigan (.308), junior pitcher Jason Daley (1-1, 3.65 ERA), senior outfielder Jeff Cutler, junior pitcher/first baseman/DH Charlie Daher, junior shortstop Rick Johnson and junior pitcher/outfielder Mark Rocca.

New to the varsity are sophomore pitcher/DH Paul Wysocki, junior shortstop Christian Semper and senior second baseman Dave Chapin.

"This group has outstanding work habits," said Ken Maglio, who begins his sixth year as head varsity coach and 28th season overall with the program. "We'll be quick on the basepaths and we should be okay defensively with most of the infield intact."

"We don't have any real long ball hitters, and the big question mark is the pitching. We have guys that throw the ball well, but they have yet to do it at the varsity level."

The Golden Warriors were scheduled to scrimmage North Andover twice, Woburn and Greater Lawrence Tech.

The new baseball field, complete with dugouts and perhaps with lights in the future, will be ready for the non-league season opener on Friday, April 10 against Revere.

AHS will play home-and-home series against Revere and Peabody to start and finish the regular season, and the locals will try to defend their Lawrence Invitational Tournament championship May 22-24.

The MVC opener is April 22 at home against Chelmsford. There appear to be no weak sisters in the Large School Division of the conference with Methuen, Lowell and Central Catholic all returning pitchers who were successful last spring.

Assistant coaches once again are Kevin Rourke (varsity), Dan Grams (junior varsity) and Rich Robinson (freshmen).

AHS and Assumption College graduate Scott Eggert joins the staff this season as the varsity pitching coach, a position his older brother Chris held for several years.

## Impressive stats

Since 1990 Andover High varsity baseball teams have posted a 158-33 won-lost record, including 91-26 during Maglio's tenure (.778 winning percentage).

There have been two state Division 1 titles, back-to-back in 1991 and 1992, five Division 1 North titles (1990, 1991, 1992, 1994 and 1997), six MVC championships

and six Lawrence Invitational Tournament crowns during the decade.

Andover has produced the Conference MVP seven times in the last eight years with Chris Eggert (1990), Dave Blank (1991), Jim Hanning (1992), Justin Hesenius (1993), Todd Murray (1994), Mark Langone (1996) and Brian Tisbert (1997) the honorees. All but Tisbert were pitching phenoms.

Hanning and Hesenius also earned High School All-American honors and most were Eastern Mass. All-Scholastics with Tisbert doing it twice in 1996 and 1997.

## SOFTBALL

Andover High will continue its quest to emerge from the softball shadows when the 1998 season opens next Tuesday afternoon with a non-league road game against Merrimack Valley Conference rival Methuen (3:30 p.m.).

Because they compete in arguably the toughest softball league in the state, the Lady Warriors have struggled over the years to field a team that can challenge for an MVC title or an MIAA Tournament berth.

Will this be the year the program turns around?

"We have a group of kids that worked very hard in the off-season, throughout the winter, to improve their play," said second-year head coach Stephanie Ragucci.

"Girls that weren't playing a winter sport competed every Sunday — for 18 weeks — in an indoor league at Strike One (in Burlington)."

"The attitude and outlook is better this year, the confidence level higher, and the players are determined to turn the corner," said Ragucci.

Andover won only three games last spring, but eight letterwinners return a year older and wiser.

The lone senior graduates were Jen Murnane (attending UMass Lowell) and Michelle Crispo (University of Colorado). Crispo missed most of last season rehabbing an ankle injury.

"We're still a young team — with only three seniors. Many of the kids are making softball a priority by working on their game all year," said Ragucci.

There are six returning starters, led by senior first baseman/Capt. Julie Litzenberger and senior third baseman/Capt. Julie Viola.

Other frontliners from last season are junior catcher Courtney Famiglietti, junior shortstop Kaitlin Dargan, junior outfielder Lisa Sawin and sophomore outfielder Lindsey Pearson.

Pearson, the all-important sixth-man on the AHS state Division 1 finalist girls basketball

team, has been resting a back injury that flared in the second half of the title game against Minnechaug Regional.

"Lindsey's been taking it easy for three weeks," said Ragucci, an assistant coach for the hoop team. "She won't play until she's ready. It's day to day and hopefully we'll have her for the opener."

Other returning letterwinners are senior outfielder Samantha Aufiero and junior pitcher Michelle Carpentier.

Elevated from coach Betty Ann Iannuccilli's junior varsity team are junior middle infielder Lacey Eggert, sophomore catcher-outfielder Jen Roberge and junior pitcher/utility player Michelle Langone.

Both Eggert and Langone had older brothers who were standout baseball pitchers at AHS — Chris and Scott Eggert and Mark Langone all helping the baseball team to championship seasons in past years.

Completing the varsity roster are three promising freshman prospects, versatile pitcher/infielder/outfielder Lisa Tisbert, second baseman Taylor Traub and pitcher Laura Stone.

Tisbert's brother Brian, another of Andover's fine crop of former baseball standouts, helped the Golden Warriors to the Division 1 North title and a berth in the state semifinals last spring.

"Lisa can play anywhere we need her," said Ragucci, who added with a laugh, "she may even be the best athlete in the family."

The turnout of 60 candidates is one of the biggest in years, another indication that softball interest is growing in town.

"This team differs from last year's even though much of the personnel is the same," said Ragucci, a math teacher and former assistant softball coach at Westford Academy. "There is much more flexibility. Most of these girls can play at least two positions well."

"Team speed is above average. We have several kids with good 'wheels.' Defense should be a strength and the hitting will be improved. Lisa (Tisbert) can put a 'charge' into the ball."

"We'll surprise people. We're not rolling over for anyone and we'll snag our share of wins," said Ragucci.

The reality remains that the MVC is a brutal league which year after year produces several schools that challenge for state titles.

"Dracut, Chelmsford and Lowell should be loaded again," said Ragucci. "We're in the Small School Division and we might compete for first place — probably with Tewksbury and Central Catholic."

Scrimmages were scheduled against Pelham, N.H., North Andover and several schools (including North Reading and Everett) at a "Play Day" hosted by Phillips Academy.

The 20-game regular season schedule includes non-league home-and-home series against Westford Academy and North Andover.

Dick Loschi returns as freshman coach.

## BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The 1998 Andover High boys varsity volleyball team won't have to wait long to find its niche in the Merrimack Valley Conference.

The Golden Warriors opened their 20-match season yesterday afternoon at the Dunn Gymnasium, hosting Dracut, and tomorrow the locals travel to Lowell to battle another of the league's anticipated title contenders (4 p.m.).

"We're actually ahead of where we usually are at this point," said 10th-year coach George Sullivan. "Most of the positions were set early in the pre-season. Now it's a question of getting these guys playing time."

Four excellent senior players — Zach Gray, David An, Shaun Connors and Andy Pojasek — graduated from last year's 14-7 team.

"We lost both setters (An, Connors) and our strongest hitter (Gray)," said Sullivan. "Those will be tough people to replace."

"But we return our top two defenders and we have several blockers with good size."

"Many of these kids have improved their game by playing Junior Olympic volleyball over the winter," added Sullivan.

Four returning starters headed the list of 39 candidates who signed up this year.

The veterans are senior All-Conference middle-hitter and Capt. Jeff Danis (6'3"), senior defender and Capt. Matt Rogers, senior defender Peter Maguire and junior middle-hitter Ben Mertes (6'3").

Other returning lettermen are junior middle/outside hitter Dave Nichols (6'4") and senior outside hitter Jack Nolan.

Completing the varsity are seven athletes up from the JV team.

Seniors in this group are outside hitters Matt Gilmore (6'2") and Blake McCauley, junior outside hitter/setter Jim Newell, junior outside hitter Mike Johnson (hockey goaltender), sophomore setters Kevin Hess and Ryan Slavin and sophomore outside hitter Pat Hogarty (6'6").

"Danis, Mertes and Nichols looked particularly good in pre-

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# AHS PREVIEWS

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season matches," noted Sullivan.

Those early scrimmage tests were against league rival Chelmsford, Newton South and several opponents at a pair of Play Days — the first hosted by Andover and the second last weekend at Holliston High.

Sullivan, the AHS boys volleyball coach since the program's inception, enters the season with a flashy overall career won-lost record of 131-44.

Eight of his previous nine teams have qualified for the State Tournament, including last year when the locals dropped a 3-0 opening-round decision to St. John's Prep of Danvers.

Andover advanced to the state Division 1 title match in 1995 and has reached the state semifinals two other times.

The Golden Warriors have won five league titles — all in the North Alliance. This is the second year for the Merrimack Valley Conference and all 20 AHS matches are in the 11-team league.

Sullivan expects Dracut, Lowell, St. John's Prep and Methuen to join his team as title contenders.

Defending state champ New Bedford once again will be favored at tournament time.

Boys head varsity soccer coach Dave Amundsen is in his first season as JV volleyball coach.

Andover entered yesterday's opener against Dracut with a carryover regular season win streak of five straight matches.

## TENNIS

For more than a decade the Andover High boys and girls tennis teams have forced every other Merrimack Valley Conference school to play for second place in the league standings.

The numbers are staggering.

• Coach Mike Wartman's AHS boys have won the conference title 12 of the last 14 years, including six straight.

Last spring's 15-0 league record stretched the MVC win streak to 84 matches in a row, with the last

league loss 3-2 to Chelmsford on May 20, 1992.

The boys are 204-9 in their last 213 league matches and 234-26 over the same span including non-league and tournament play.

Last spring the Golden Warriors edged Melrose and Central Catholic by 3-2 scores in the Division 1 North Tournament before being ousted 5-0 by Newton South in the semifinals.

• Coach Tony Russo's AHS girls have won nine straight MVC titles and 12 of the last 13.

Their 16-0 league record in 1997 extended their conference win streak to 111 straight matches since a 3-2 loss to Lowell on May 21, 1990.

The Lady Warriors are also 184-1 in their last 185 MVC matches and 198-12 including non-league and tournament play.

The Andover girls made a quick tourney exit last year with a 4-1 first-round loss to perennial Dual County League and statewide power Concord-Carlisle.

• Both teams kick off the 1998 campaign next Monday, the boys hosting Central Catholic (3:30 p.m.) and the girls traveling to Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro (3:30 p.m.).

Central probably has the best shot at snapping the boys win streak with most of its key players back from the 1997 squad, which dropped three close 3-2 decisions to the Golden Warriors.

On the girls side, Notre Dame was the only conference team not shut out twice 5-0 by AHS last year (the Lancers beaten 4-1 the second time around).

## Andover boys

The Golden Warriors must find replacements for two of their top three singles players from last year.

No. 1 Ross Fenton is now attending Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. and No. 3 Dave Sullivan is at Carnegie-Mellon Institute. Doubles standout Brian Yoon also graduated.

Returning starters are last year's No. 2 singles, senior Capt.

Dave Gutstein, senior No. 1 doubles and Capt. Alan Hibino and sophomore doubles player Evan Sideman.

Each of the three earned MVC All-Conference honors last spring, with Gutstein losing only one match in the league (to Central Catholic's Dave Slattery).

Other returning lettermen are juniors Andy Rubin and Kevin Zuena, who often teamed at No. 2 doubles last season.

Impressive newcomers include freshman Matt Rose, a highly-ranked NELTA 16-under division player, the sophomore trio of Mike Meagher, Andy Jacobs and Jordan Klein (all doubles) and freshman Rich Roda (doubles).

"We're a young team with some inexperience in the lineup," said Wartman, who begins his 15th season at the helm. "Several freshman and sophomores will be playing key roles for us."

"Central will be tough. They have everyone back from the team we just squeaked by several times last season. The matches against them will be interesting."

## Andover girls

The Lady Warriors didn't graduate many, but sure to be missed is four-year No. 1 player Heather Young.

The three-time MVC Player-of-the-Year, now attending Brown University, finished her career undefeated in league play.

She also made three strong runs in the State Individual Championships, losing twice to eventual titlist Elisa Banner of Bedford (now a Brown teammate) in the Division 1 North final her sophomore and junior seasons.

Last year Young bowed to Cynthia Tow of Brookline in the state semifinals at Longwood Cricket Club after beating Olivia Wong of Belmont in a come-from-behind three-setter for the North title.

Other graduates included Dara Ekster, Catherine Bakulski (University of South Carolina) and exchange student Elizabeth van Damme, who returned to the Netherlands.

Leading the list of veterans are tenacious senior Capt. Lauren Roda, Andover's No. 2 singles the past two years, senior Capt. Becky Parks, senior Capt. Emily Wilner and sophomores Jill Oppenheim, Amy Axelrod and Jenna Bernstein.

Roda, a fourth-year player, is a two-time All-Conference choice who went undefeated in league singles play last season.

"Lauren has a lot of stamina on the court," said Russo. "She's a baseline player who can literally stay out there all day and out-tough her opponent. She wears

them down with her energy and physical fitness."

Oppenheim also went undefeated in the league last year while playing a few matches at No. 2 singles and most at No. 3. She was also an All-Conference selection.

"Jill has many good skills," said Russo. "She has developed an excellent topspin forehand which she places well, and her net play and volleying are exceptional. She also controls her emotions — never gets rattled."

Axelrod and Bernstein were unbeaten at No. 1 doubles last spring and they also made the MVC All-Conference team.

Other players returning from last year are seniors Ryoko Mat-suura and Shara Touman, juniors Caitlin Burke, Andrea Wegner, Nicole Menschel and Suzanne Zanon and sophomores Erica Tebbetts and Shambhavi Guruprasad.

Junior exchange student Anna Piehoua of Czechoslovakia is here for one year, and completing the squad are freshman prospects Robin Young (Heather's sister), Michelle Leahy, Erin Zuena, Bethany Upton, Jessica Bindman and Ashley Hargadon.

"Several of the freshmen will challenge for the top three singles spots," said Russo. "There is a lot of equal talent through the middle of the lineup — depth and parity after the first five players. That will allow us to rotate almost everyone into the lineup at some point during the season."

"We're the odds-on favorite to win the league again, but Notre Dame and Chelmsford should give us some competition."

Andover tuned up for the regular season opener with a scrimmage match against visiting Reading.

## OUTDOOR TRACK

Peter Comeau, a former AHS state and New England hurdles champion, begins his 10th year with the track program and his first as head coach.

Comeau succeeds the legendary Dick Collins, who directed Andover outdoor track teams for 38 years before going into semi-retirement and recently entering the local political ring.

Collins, in fact, coached Comeau from 1982-'84 and remains on the scene this spring as one of eight assistant coaches.

The impressive list of varsity assistants includes Collins (sprints and relays), Wayne Arsenault (high jump, pole vault) who begins his 15th year, Art Iworsley (long jump, triple jump) starts his 22nd year, Brenda Clark-Warne (distances), Leanna Mills (javelin) and weight trainer Krista Galligani (formerly Lavoie) who was a standout AHS high jumper in 1991-'92.

Karl Lippmann and Leo Lafond are the freshman track coaches.

In addition to overseeing the entire program, Comeau concentrates his efforts on his specialty — the hurdles — and helps with the sprinters.

Comeau, who graduated from AHS in 1984 and Northeastern in 1989, helped Andover to one of its two New England team championships in 1984.

He spent two-year apprentice stints as an assistant at Alvirne High in Hudson, N.H. and Swampscott High before returning to his alma mater.

Andover has over 200 student-athletes participating in track this spring, including 79 boys, 77 girls and close to 50 freshman boys and girls.

The AHS track at Lovely Field may be in for renovations later this year. The vote to appropriate funds to upgrade the facility is set for next month.

Both AHS teams faced Tewksbury in a practice meet recently, and begin their Merrimack Valley Conference schedule with a season-opening crossover dual meet next Tuesday afternoon at Dracut (3:30 p.m.).

## Andover girls

There is no lack of talent on the 1998 Andover High girls varsity track roster.

The Lady Warriors are coming off a 6-2 outdoor dual-meet season in 1997, with the losses to Methuen and Tewksbury.

Andover is 36-3 in its last 39 MVC meets and 38-4 in the last 42 including non-league duals.

Andover also finished second in the State Coaches Relays and the MVC Championship Meet last year.

Key graduates from the 1997 squad include high jumpers Stephanie Brown and Erin Harris, middle distance runners Abby Clarke and Jocelyn Gould and sprinter Nolia Hill.

Brown tied for fourth in the high jump at the State Class A Meet last year at Boston College High, tied for fifth at the All-State Meet (5'2") and competed in the New England.

Harris tied for seventh in the Class A high jump and placed 13th in the triple jump.

• Leading the way in the hurdles this spring will be senior Capt. Barbara Contos, juniors Shannon Callahan-Higgins, Lindsay Delaney, Liz Wheeler, Judy

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Senior AHS tennis Captain Dave Gutstein



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Senior AHS tennis Captain Alan Hibino



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Huang and sophomores Audra Alexander, Amy Garvin and Megan Munroe.

Contos is fresh off a spectacular indoor season in the hurdles, which she highlighted by winning the State Class B and All-State 55-meter titles and by tying the MVC record in the 50-yard hurdles (7.2).

Last spring she was leading the pack in the State Class A Meet before hitting a hurdle and dropping back to seventh place.

"We can put Barbara in any event this spring and she'll score points for us," said Comeau.

Contos lists Tufts, Harvard and Boston University among her top college choices. "Those and several

other schools are drooling over her athletic talent," said Comeau. "If she gets the grades she can practically pick her college."

• Top sprinters are senior Beth Har, juniors Chidinma Ibe, Jenny Lambert, Emily Wooten and sophomores Jenny Hsu and Lindsay Ravens.

• The lengthy list of middle- and long-distance runners includes senior Capt. Katherine Blais and Nikki Winters.

They will be bolstered by senior Jess Youell, juniors Kristen Munson, Pam Muller, Janel Ricci, Leslie Ring, Jacqui Sawyer, Katie Sullivan, Jen Thorpe, sophomores Allison Corey, Kasey Dexter, Cathy Filbin, Caitlin Murray and

freshman Diane Petersen.

Blais, Winters, Munson and Dexter comprised the 4x800 meter indoor relay team that won the State Class B title in meet-record time and tied the school record on the way to ninth place at the All-State Meet this winter.

Blais also placed fourth in the State Class B indoor mile this season and 12th in the Class A outdoor mile last spring. Munson was 8th in the Class B indoor 2-mile and 9th in the Class A outdoor deuce last year.

Corey was eighth in the Class B indoor 600

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# EVENTS LISTINGS

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**Lecture**, presented by Parent to Parent, "Character First: Raising Children with Principles in Today's World," 7:30-9 p.m., West Middle School Auditorium, Shawsheen Road; Maria Bartlett 470-1278.

**"Addiction to Thinness"** is the topic of a round-table discussion for mothers and daughters, led by Phillips Academy health professionals, Carol Israel, director of psychological services, and Aggie Giglio, nutrition counselor; 8 p.m., at the Silverado Athletic Club, 10-

12 Main St., the talk is free and open to the public; 474-1888.

**Meeting**, Andover Garden Club, Suzanne Mahler presents "Attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to Andover gardens, 10 a.m., \$3 non-members, Unitarian Universalist Church, Locke Street; Mary Battles 475-4553.

**THURSDAY, April 9** Annual meeting, board of directors of Creative Living Inc., Senator John O'Brien guest speaker, hors d'oeuvres 7 p.m., followed by business meeting, \$20, RSVP by April 5, Bishop's

Restaurant, 99 Hampshire St., Lawrence; 470-3165.

**Youth concert**, presented by Boston Classical Orchestra, for middle school and high school students, 11 a.m., Lawrence High School, Lawrence; (617) 423-3883.

**Breakfast**, sponsored by Greater Lawrence Community Action Council and Exchange Clubs of the Lower Merrimack Valley, featuring Lawrence Mayor Patricia Dowling, to continue

awareness of the seriousness of child abuse and what can be done to prevent it, 8 a.m., \$10, Andover Marriott; Lorraine Malignaggi, 681-4985.

**SATURDAY, April 11** Kids night out, sponsored by the Lady Riverhawks, for ages 4-12 years, 6-10 p.m., \$3, first child, \$5 each sibling, UMass Lowell Costello Gym, University Ave., Lowell; Kathy O'Neil (978) 934-2325.

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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 1998, at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlett Street, pursuant to MGL, Chapter 40A, Section 5, on a proposed amendment to the Zoning By-Law which would delete the current regulations governing communications structures (towers), and replace them with new regulations entitled "Wireless Communications Facilities" covering cellular telephone, commercial radio/TV, and amateur ("Ham") communications structures. The proposed regulations would provide a new definition for Wireless Communications Facility; would allow cellular (wireless), and amateur towers in all zoning districts by special permit subject to type, height, and setback restrictions; and would restrict commercial (radio and/or television) to the Limited Service District and the IA and ID Industrial Districts, also by special permit. The full text of the proposed by-law may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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meters and Petersen eighth in the Class B indoor 1000 this winter, while Muller finished 15th in the State Class A outdoor 2-mile last spring.

• Top high jumpers this spring are junior Lisa Verreault and sophomores Lexi Contos and Liz Conners. Contos tied for seventh in the State Class A high jump last year.

• Leading long- and triple-jumpers are senior Capt. Courtney Barron and sophomore Siobhan Landry.

Barron placed fifth in the Class A long jump and seventh in the triple jump last year.

• Leading throwers (shot put, discus and javelin) are seniors Michelle Mills and Kirza Sanchez, juniors Janice Coppolino, Kristin Dube and Jen Thomas, sophomores Lindsay Hartwell, Melissa Langlais and freshmen Ogechi Ibe and Lynne McCumber.

Mills placed 12th and Coppolino 14th in the Class A discus toss last spring.

• The girls pole vault will be an exhibition event this year, and the top vaulters for AHS include school record-holder Kathleen McCumber (7'0") and Liz Wheeler.

Other freshmen expected to contribute are Jen Annese (sprints, jumps), Tina Baraby (thrower), Crystal Kalaw (sprints), Jen Kane (sprints), Sheena Patel (hurdles), Emily Pfeil (high jump) and Stephanie Pierce (hurdles).

Comeau expects Chelmsford, winner of six straight MVC Large School indoor titles, and Billerica to challenge Andover for the league outdoor championship.

## Andover boys

The Golden Warriors have a rich outdoor track tradition with 12 Class titles (B, C and D), seven All-State championships and a pair of New England crowns (1970, 1984) to their credit over the years.

The Andover boys also finished 6-2 in dual meets last spring, the losses to Central Catholic and Methuen. They added a pair of fourth places in the State Coaches Relays and the Merrimack Valley Conference Championship Meet.

Key graduates from the 1997 crew include pole vaulter/hurdler Peter Ellis, now attending Brown University, sprinter/jumper Tim Smith, sprinters Josh Murphy and Matt Yost, distance standouts

Matt Herling, Todd Collins and Donnie Pattullo, and throwers Matt Muench (shot, discus), Craig Hartwell (javelin) and Ted Crandall (shot).

Ellis, one of the finest track athletes in the school's history, is the school record-holder in the pole vault (14'8").

He was a double winner in the vault and 110-meter high hurdles at the State Class A Meet last spring, placed second in the vault and fifth in the hurdles at the All-State Meet, and won the New England pole vault championship.

Muench was Class A runner-up in the discus, placed sixth at the All-State (personal-best 143'11") and competed at the New England.

Herling was fifth in the Class A mile (4:37.8), Collins eighth in the 2-mile (personal-best 10:00.8) and Hartwell ninth in the javelin.

• Top hurdlers this season are seniors Phil Ayoub, Dave Nassif and Long Dang.

Ayoub was 11th in the State Class A 300-meter intermediate hurdles last year (42.6) at Boston College High.

• Leading the sprint brigade are senior

Capt. Matt Aufiero, senior Capt. Ethan Murphy, junior Grey Roy, sophomores Jeremy Spiegel, Jim Connolly and freshman prospect Ben Perkins.

Spiegel won the Auerbach Freshman-Sophomore Meet 55-meter dash, the first AHS sprinter ever to do so, and placed sixth in the State Class B Indoor Meet (personal-best 6.86).

Aufiero was sixth in the Class B 300 meters (personal-best 37.54), and both Spiegel and Aufiero competed in the All-State Indoor Meet this past winter.

• Middle-distance (400, 800 meters) leaders are senior Hasan Erdem, junior Sean Higgins and sophomore Terrence Fitzsimmons.

Long-distance (mile, 2-mile) runners include senior Capt. Chris Rillahan, junior Matt Spitzer and sophomore Greg Stamm.

Rillahan was seventh in the State Class B indoor 2-mile (personal-best 10:17.22) while Erdem, Fitzsimmons, Stamm and Higgins formed the 4x800 relay team that finished sixth at the Class B Indoor Meet.

• Top throwers (shot put, discus, javelin) are

senior Capt. Dan Barch, senior Steve Scarpulla, juniors Josh Trowbridge, Jim Delaney, Chris Worley and sophomores Mike Barnett and Mike Zizzo.

• Spiegel should also be the No. 1 long- and triple-jumper.

High jumpers are Murphy, junior Nick Kline and sophomores Charles Murnane and Chris Cordima.

Leading pole vaulters are senior Matt MacKenzie, junior Steve Arsenault, Perkins and Dang.

MacKenzie cleared 12 feet as a sophomore but was forced to sit out last spring with an injury.

"We have a good rapport with coaches of other Andover sports, and we picked up a number of basketball players from coach (Dave) Fazio that should help us this spring," said Comeau.

"There is pressure on us. Andover has great track tradition — and any year we don't win the league title is considered a bad one by some people.

"The boys have a young team but we figure to surprise some opponents," said Comeau. "Our biggest task is to fill the holes in the throwing events. That's where graduation hurt us the most."

The first-year head coach expects Central Catholic, Haverhill and a rebuilding Chelmsford team to be MVC boys title contenders this season.



Jeremy Spiegel, part of the AHS sprint brigade, should also be the No. 1 long- and triple-jumper.

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## PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 14, 1998, at 9:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on the application of Dundee Office Park, Ozzy Property Management, Inc., for a Site Plan Special Permit to allow for the redevelopment and renovation of an existing 12,000 square foot building, currently vacant, for purposes of an athletic facility, on property owned by the applicant located off Essex Street, commonly known as Dundee Park, and more specifically identified as Lot 4 on Assessor's Map 55. The application and associated plan may be viewed in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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PLANNING BOARD**  
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March 26, April 2, 1998

## TOWN OF ANDOVER



## PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 14, 1998, at 9:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on an application of June C. DiPetrillo; Portland Avenue Associates; Wen Yu and Hong Liu; and Ann E. Harrington, for a Site Plan Special Permit to allow for the construction of a new 3 story Hotel Building containing 126 units along with associated parking areas, all situated on a 5.83 acre site at 168, 172 and 174 River Road representing the combined properties of the applicants, and more specifically identified as Lots 5, 6 and 7, on Assessor's Map 166. The application and associated plans may be viewed in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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## TOWN OF ANDOVER



## PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 1998, at 8:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, pursuant to M.L., Chapter 40A, Section 5, on a proposal to amend the Zoning Map by rezoning all of the property shown as Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 on Assessor's Map 203 from Industrial ID to Industrial IA, those properties being owned by Smith & Nephew Dionics, Inc.; Sebago-Andover Realty Trust; and Garrett Nominee Trust, all situated south of Dascomb Road, west of I-93, and east of the Andover/Tewksbury Town Line. The proposal is a private article submitted by Richard G. Asoian and others. The full text of the proposed amendment and a map depicting the properties to be rezoned may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT  
THE PROBATE  
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ESSEX DIVISION

Docket No. 98P 0727-EP1  
Estate of JOHN D. LEWIS late of Andover in the County of Essex.

## NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by RICHARD G. ASOIAN of Andover in the County of Essex praying that he be appointed executor thereof, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on April 27, 1998.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

Pamela Casey O'Brien  
Register of Probate  
April 2, 1998

## TOWN OF ANDOVER



## PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 14, 1998, at 8:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on an application submitted by PPF Corporation for a Special Permit for Earth Removal and/or Regrading associated with a proposed 26 lot definitive subdivision plan entitled "Stirling Woods" situated on property owned by the applicant and formerly known as the Champy property located off Stirling Street, and more specifically identified as Lot 103 on Assessor's Map 18. The application may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**THE ANDOVER  
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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ESSEX DIVISION

Docket No. 98P 0569-EP1  
Estate of HARLAN P. NEWTON late of Fredericksburg in the Commonwealth of Virginia, having an estate in Andover in the County of Essex.

## NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be an authenticated copy of the last will of said deceased by ELIZABETH M. ELLIS of Fredericksburg in the Commonwealth of Virginia, praying that she be appointed executrix thereof, without giving a surety on her bond; and to the ATTORNEY GENERAL of said COMMONWEALTH.

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In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the nineteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

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## TOWN OF ANDOVER



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## LOT 32:

EASTERLY: by the westerly line of Gemini Circle. 72.20 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY: 227.59 feet by Lot 31;

SOUTHWESTERLY: 247.58 feet by Lot 32GA;

SOUTHERLY: 5.00 feet by Lot 32GA;

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## LOT 32GA:

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In the event of any typographical errors in the publication of this notice, the description in the mortgage shall control.

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The following is a list of properties in Andover that sold from January 21 to February 6.

**1** Jody M. Blatman bought 4 Norwich Place, Lot 21, for \$448,250, from ATM Realty. The mortgage is with Fleet Mortgage Corp.

**2** Lori A. Kimball bought 3 Ruggiero Way, Lot 9, for \$805,000, from Michael C. Bell. The mortgage is with Medford Savings Bank.

**3** Daniel J. Horn bought 4 Bedford Place, Lot 35, for \$517,344.95, from ATM Realty. The mortgage is with First Financial, Inc.

**4** Rafael J. Labrador bought 31 Stoneybrook Circle, Lot 35, for \$514,000 from Steven D. Gast. The mortgage is with Interate National Mortgage Corp.

**5** Troy K. Nielsen bought 111 Shawsheen Road, Lot B, for \$162,000, from James C. Herman. The mortgage is with Mellon Mortgage Co.

**6** Raymond T. Cunningham bought 5 Juliette St., Lots 50 - 52, for \$159,000, from Paul A. Clinton. The mortgage is with Bank Of America.

**7** Thomas R. Gramaglia bought 1 Chapman Ave., for \$387,000, from Sean Gresh.

**8** Paul L. Twomey bought 182 Summer St., 2 lots, for \$283,500, from John W. Milne. The mortgage is with Ipswich Savings Bank.

**9** Daniel W. Sullivan bought 230 Highland Road, Lot 8, for \$224,500, from Ellen M. Murphy Ex. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

**10** Anthony J. Ciulla bought 3 Buttonwood Drive, Lot 4, for \$887,500, from Fieldstone Meadows Development Corp.

**11** Laura L. Black bought Unit A3, 6 Colonial Drive, for \$66,500, from Richard M. Caouette. The mortgage is with North American Mortgage Co.

**12** Kari A. Flango bought A4 Colonial Drive, Unit 9, for \$73,900, from Denise Carroci-



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

This home, at 31 Stoneybrook Circle, was recently sold for \$514,000.

nao. The mortgage is with PHH Mortgage Services Corp.

**13** Sheldon Heitzner bought 4 Barbara Lane, Lot 20, for \$395,000, from Wei-Tao P. Wang. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co., Inc.

**14** Sandra A. Morander bought 79 High Plain Road, for \$195,000, from Karin H. Campbell. The mortgage is with Peoples Mortgage Corp.

**15** Park Street Group Limited Liability Co., bought Florence & Park Streets, 2 Parcels for \$275,400, from United Jewish Appeal, Inc. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

**16** Lynne T. J. Cumming bought Unit 201, 16 Balmoral St., for \$52,900, from Guy O. Creese. The mortgage is with Peoples Heritage Savings Bank.

**17** Richard F. Lamonica bought 205 William G. Drive, for \$287,500, from William M. McCarthy. The mortgage is with Choice Mortgage Corp.

**18** Kenneth E. MacKenzie bought 140 Hidden Road, for \$579,900, from David J. Lentz. The mortgage is with Bank-Boston N.A.

**19** Robert L. Kwolyk bought 124 Summer St., Lot 8, for \$381,000, from Francis J. Harbist. The mortgage is with Ipswich Savings Bank.

**20** Forty Five Argilla Road Realty Trust bought Argilla Road, Lot 3, for \$183,000, from Butler Properties Inc.

**21** Rekha Quazi bought Unit 3, 247 North Main St., for \$117,000, from Judith M. Yelle. The mortgage is with Metro Mortgage Co., Inc.

**22** Steven F. Barron bought Unit 401, Balmoral St., for \$60,000, from Susan Deblasio Bartsch. The mortgage is with Ipswich Savings Bank.

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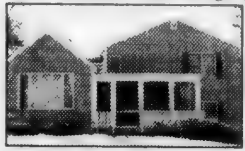
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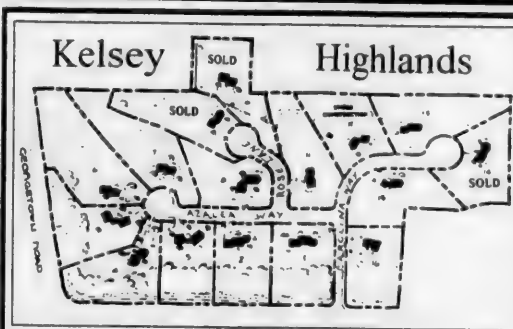
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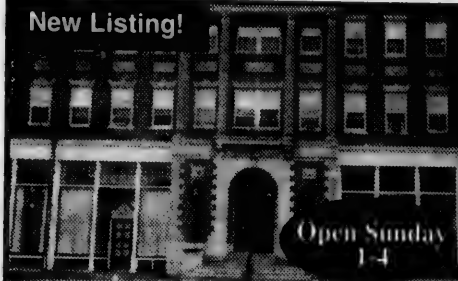
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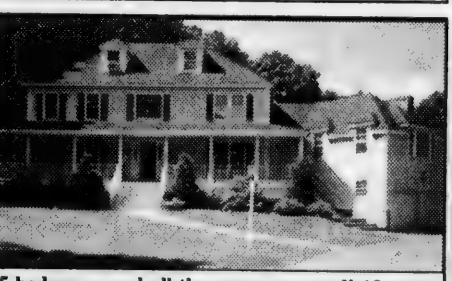
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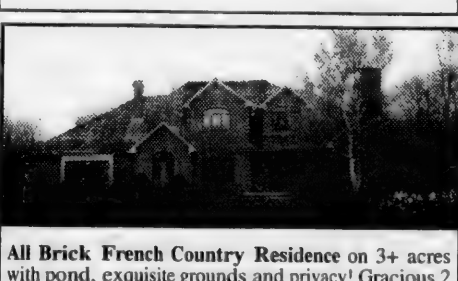
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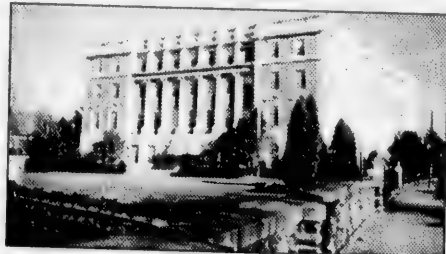
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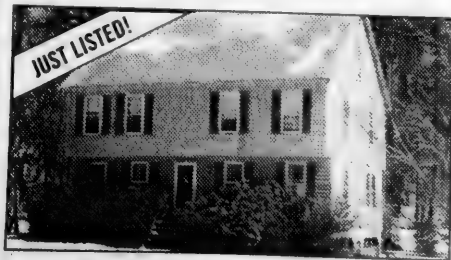
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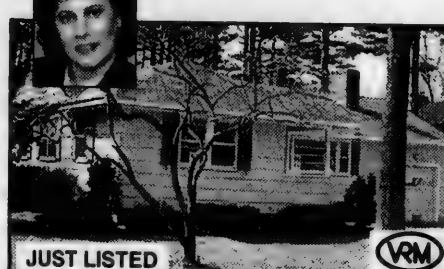
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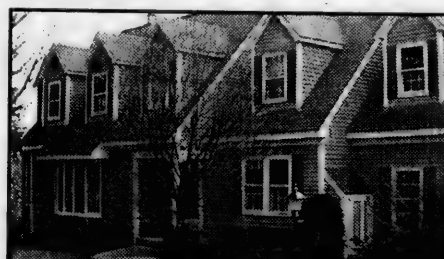


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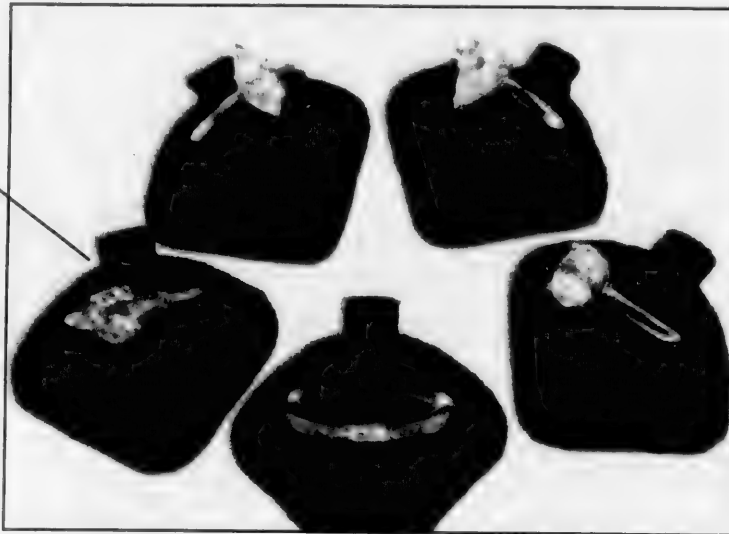
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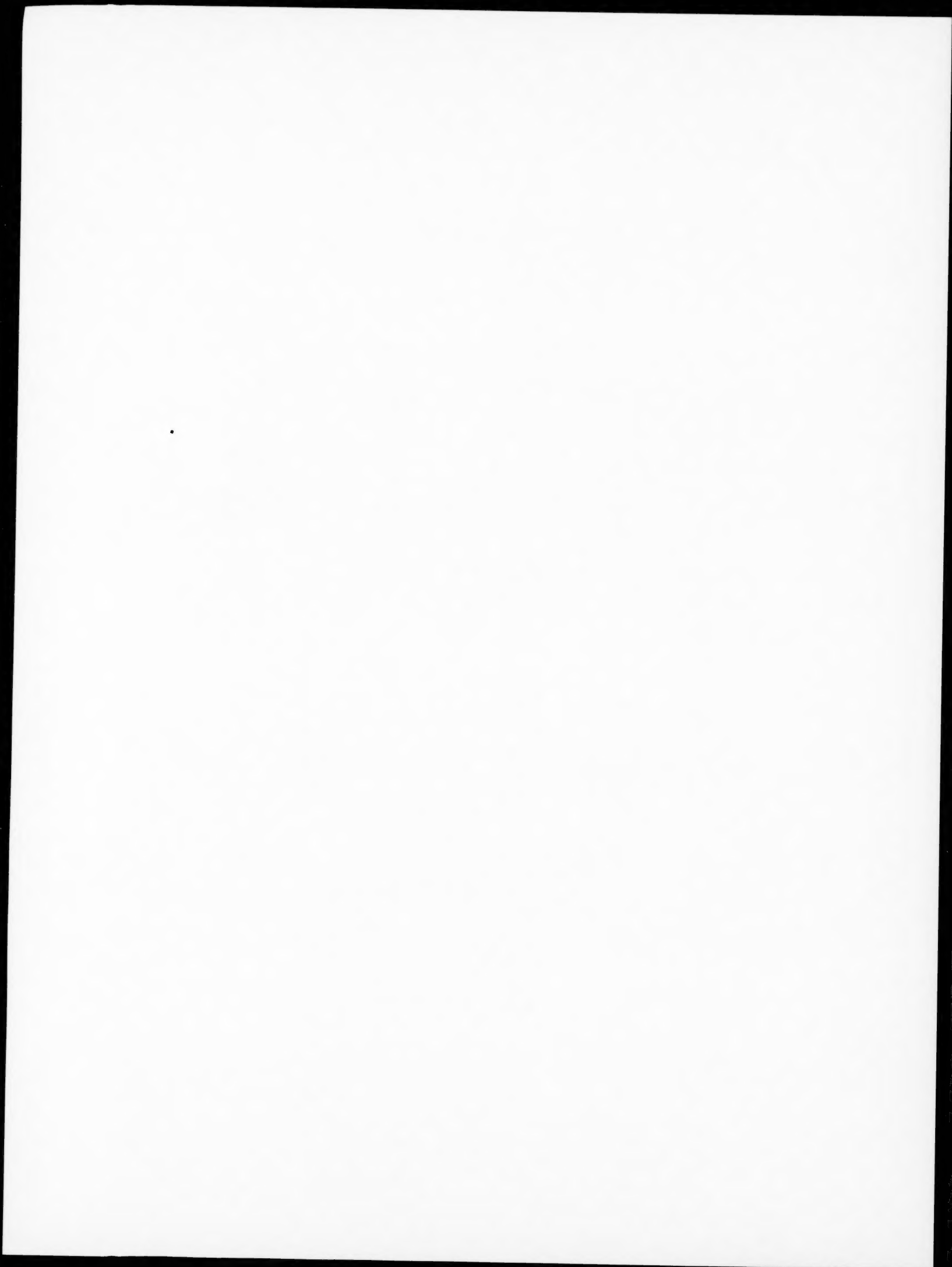
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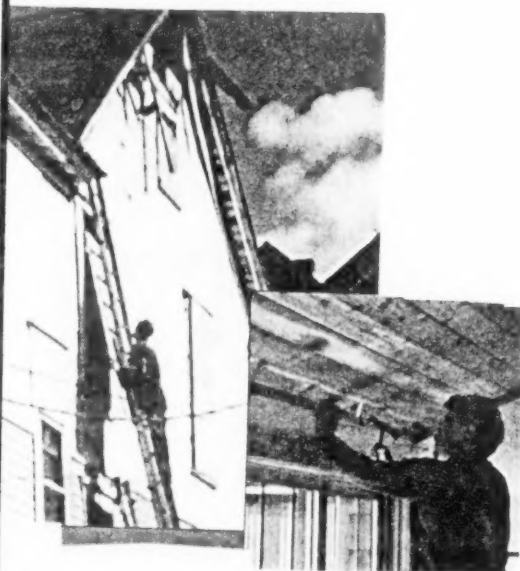
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